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Joanna Jhanda

Opposing the resolution on bombing Iraq to speaking out on presidential impeachment hearings, U.S. Rep. Barbara Lee has is not afraid to stray from the mainstream.

## Report from the floor

Q & A with first  
Congresswoman  
Barbara Lee

By JAMES CARTER

Congresswoman Barbara Lee elected last April to fill the term of retiring Congressman Ron Dellums of California's 9th District, which includes Oakland, Berkeley, Piedmont, Emeryville, Albany, and San Francisco.

In last year's election, Lee won three consecutive terms in the Bay Area. What are some of the highlights?

There is a growing problem with homelessness, especially in the Bay Area. What solutions have you found?

When I was in the State Senate, I chaired the Committee on Housing and Land Use and I sponsored a bill to keep homeless shelters open. We had to fight with the state to get the bill passed. Pete Wilson just to do it was a big fight but we

shelters aren't the answer. We need to develop some transitional housing and support services for the homeless. And there are models that demonstrate how to do that.

President Clinton has announced an initiative to provide more money into programs for HUD. We're working on that now because in the Bay Area there's a large population

of people who are homeless.

Yet until you begin to deal with some of the problems that face many people who are homeless — for example, many of them are Vietnam-era veterans, and that's outrageous — we won't be able to properly address the issue. There are also problems with alcoholism and drug abuse. However, we did adopt the largest housing budget in a decade last year that created 100,000 of additional units of housing. And we set a budget to rehabilitate existing housing. But there's something like 5-1/2 million people that are living in sub-standard housing now.

I was appointed to the Housing and Community Opportunity Committee, which is a sub-committee of the Banking Committee. I hope to work with HUD, at least in the 9th Congressional District, to access every available resource that HUD and put more money into the area of affordable housing.

Tragically, the threshold for homelessness is being reduced. Certain people who never thought they would be homeless are now on the street. In Alameda, at the former military base, we're working to address that problem. We were able to bring in \$600,000 to begin the process of utilizing that former base and its resources for homeless programs.

What is being done in Washington to solve the computer problem usually referred to as the Y2K (year 2000) or millennium bug?

We've held hearings on the Banking Committee about Y2K. My staff has been to the White House for meetings regarding that issue. There are a variety of efforts that are being mounted but I'm not so sure that they are going to be successful. For one thing, I don't see many efforts to make sure that low-income people and the poor and the homeless are going to be secure with regard to the Y2K issue. We're talking with the White House and asking how do we make sure that all populations of the people are

factored in to how we address the problem of Y2K.

I believe the financial industry is going to be prepared. But I think that other than the financial industry, you're going to have other agencies that deal with low income individuals that may not be ready. They may not have factored in what people need so that's been a focus of my discussions. Right now I'm trying to work with the White House and the federal government on this. I do support the Red Cross suggestion that every household should have an adequate supply of food and water on hand. And we need to continue to look into this issue.

During the impeachment trial in the House, several members of Congress took the floor and said impeachment is nothing short of a coup d'etat attempt. What do you think?

Well that's what it is. And I believe I was one of the first ones to say that. During a Congressional Black Caucus meeting we met with our House leader Dick Gephardt early on and I told him, 'If you are a student of history you understand what coups are — you understand how governments are taken over. Such things don't necessarily require a war where people lose their lives.'

What I see is an attempt to undo a duly elected government. Those issues that people voted for, issues the president and this administration have worked on such as preserving Social Security, decent education, health care reform, protecting our environment, creating jobs — the Republicans in Congress have tried to destroy such things.

I think in this impeachment process, Republicans think they have found a way they can destroy all of the gains that we have made. One of the reasons the Black Caucus was so incensed about the impeachment was that we've been working and fighting with the president to put forward an agenda that puts people first.

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## Proposed gun tax criticized

By J.R. DEATON

EL CERRITO — It wasn't quite a shoot-out at the OK Corral, but things got interesting at Monday's City Council session when a plan to increase taxes on the sale of guns and bullets was the target of discussion.

One speaker implied that this would be just one more step toward a "socialist America," another said the higher tax should be studied further before being put up for a public vote and Councilman Norman La Force told one gun shop owner attending the meeting that he is welcome to "look to another jurisdiction and

sell your products there."

After the (gun) smoke cleared, the council decided to continue studying the issue and to vote at its April 5 meeting on whether to put the proposal on the ballot this fall.

"Is it reasonable to ask any person who is making money off the sale of guns or the making of guns to also be responsible for helping to pay for the impact those same guns have in our community?" asked Maria Viramontes, executive director of the East Bay Public Safety Corridor Partnership.

This partnership includes several East Bay cities including El

Cerrito, Pinole, Richmond, San Pablo and Emeryville.

Their goal is to reduce community violence and they advocate "pro-community" gun laws such as the banning of "junk guns," mandatory gun trigger locks and increased taxes on gun sales.

"I think it is right to ask folks who are involved in an industry that has caused so much pain to so many people to help pay for it," Viramontes said.

The specific proposal before the council last Monday would tax the four gun dealers in El Cerrito an extra three percent.

The Old West Gun Room, Big 5

## Albany looks at plans for Eastshore, Memorial parks

By JAMES CARTER

ALBANY — Concluding that the rock-and-rebar landfill known as the bulb should be treated first as property and then as the home of 50 destitute people, the City Council took another small step Monday down the road toward claiming that area as a park.

During a work session on the future of the wind-swept peninsula, members of the community voiced support for efforts to transform the bulb into a shoreline recreational area. Nevertheless, the majority of speakers and councilmembers — most notably

Allan Maris — urged the city to move with caution and take an compassionate approach toward residents of the former dump.

At one point Maris suggested a task force be developed to make recommendations regarding the bulb's immediate and long-term future. He asked that representatives from East Bay Parks and Recreation and the Waterfront Committee, council members and city staff all participate in such a panel. Maris also said citizens, service groups and residents of the bulb should also be included in the task force, and that all discussions should be public.

Assistant City Administrator Ann Ritzma said the land issue "has nothing to do with people," and is "separate from all the social issues."

According to Ritzma, the real issue facing the council is when it will enact ordinances regarding use of the bulb, what type of ordinances it wants, and how those ordinances are going to be enforced.

She asked the council for direction on those points and, suggesting such moves be made with dispatch, pointed out there are

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## EC rejects funding for Plaza

By DAVID FERRIS

EL CERRITO — The City Council rejected the Plaza co-owners' request for redevelopment funds, making it likely the center will contain more apparel shops but no movie theater or department store.

Without the prospect of redevelopment money, the developers said they would go ahead with a plan for 317,800 square feet of buildings, including outlets for clothing and possibly books or electronics, said Mehmet Noyan, a real estate consultant for El Cerrito Plaza Co. The co-owners will return with a site plan in 30 days, which will then go before the Planning Commission and design review process.

The council told the developers, El Cerrito Plaza Co. and American Stores Properties Inc., that their request for up to \$5 million in redevelopment funds for an entertainment complex and as much as \$5 million more for a department store was too much.

Last year, more than 10,000 people signed a petition demanding a replacement department store. But "the public never gave us an indication it was willing to spend redevelopment money for that purpose, or that they were willing to tax themselves for that purpose," said Councilman Norman La Force on Tuesday.

The city's decision not to commit redevelopment funds means it will have less say in how the project

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## Facility repair list adds to budget woes

By J.R. DEATON

EL CERRITO — At last week's City Council meeting, questions about what to do with deteriorating city facilities was high on the business list. The council rejected, on a 4-1 vote, a motion to spend \$25,300 for detailed design and cost estimates to rehabilitate Canyon Trail Park Clubhouse.

They also declined, for the time being at least, to spend up to \$35,000 to hire consultants to prepare detailed cost estimates to repair and retrofit community facilities including the swim center. The council unanimously directed staff to work with the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Committee of the Whole to comprehensively study and prioritize the city's "capital investment" needs.

"I'm very sad the Canyon Trail isn't open, but I'm looking at what the cost is," said Councilwoman Jane Bartke.

Bartke noted that the city's facility maintenance reserve fund started at about \$370,000, but is dropping rapidly.

Fiscal year expenditures that were budgeted at \$151,000 and \$20,000 were recently used to repair leaking natural gas lines

in the Community Center.

Another \$60,000 was needed to remove old city-owned underground fuel storage tanks.

"Now our \$370,000 is down to \$139,000," Bartke said.

She said the \$25,300 the council was considering for approval that evening was only for "design work" and that the actual rehabilitation of the park clubhouse would be more.

Estimated costs to rehabilitate the clubhouse, including deck and landscaping, is \$161,000 to \$205,000 depending on how the facility is remodeled.

Other councilmembers also had questions and concerns about the costs. After receiving detailed cost explanations from Bishwendu Paul, a structural engineer selected by city staff to repair the clubhouse, Mayor Gina Brusatori asked: "What would it cost, in comparison, to just start from scratch?" She suggested "alternative funding mechanisms" such as the buy-a-brick campaign started last summer to improve Cerrito Vista Park.

Councilman Mark Friedman made a motion to table approval of the item "until we have a much more specific plan" about the costs of the project and the source of

the funding.

Councilman Norman La Force said that spending money now to repair the clubhouse could bring the emergency reserve down to \$24,000, which would be disturbingly low. "We don't have the money to do it," he said.

Councilman Larry Damon urged his colleagues to appropriate the money, saying costs could be contained appropriately and safely.

He contended that a basic repair of the facility would cost between \$80,000 and \$110,000 — much less than estimate from the structural engineer retained by the city.

Some members on the council seemed to doubt Damon's figures. La Force later said the "actual cost" will be determined by a licensed contractor, which will "more likely" be higher than the engineer's estimate.

In the end, the council voted 4-1, with Damon opposed, to table the motion.

On the matter of swim center and other facilities repairs, the council decided that more feedback was needed by the Committee of the Whole and the Parks

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INFORMATION FOR LIFE



## Worth Checking Out

### Come support AHS Choir

Does your car need washing? Do you have a sweet tooth? Do you enjoy rummaging through garage sale items? Come to the Albany High School Choir Fundraiser (car wash/bake sale/garage sale) to raise funds for the choir's trip to Southern California in April. All proceeds benefit the choir. This tri-vent will be held on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the lobby of the AHS Little Theater at 603 Key Route Blvd, Albany.

—Laura Larson

### Albany seeks citizens for boards and commissions

The Albany City Council is seeking interested citizens for appointment to the following boards, commissions and committees: Civil Service Board Library Advisory Board Park & Recreation Commission Arts Committee Charter Review Committee Waterfront Committee Mental Health Advisory Board. Interested applicants can contact the City Clerk for an application and description of each board, commission or committee. Details: 528-5720 or visit City Hall at 1000 San Pablo Ave.

### First Aid class

The Albany Fire Department will conduct an American Red Cross First Aid class on Saturday, Feb. 27. The class will be held at the Albany Fire Department starting at 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration for the class is \$25. Registration will be accepted at the Albany Fire Department located 1000 San Pablo Ave. in the Albany City Hall complex. There are only 12 spaces currently available. Details: 528-5771 ext. 433.

### AHS Concert Band fund raiser

The first fund raiser for Albany High School Concert Band's trip to Southern California is this coming Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Albany Community Center. It will be a play-a-thon featuring the Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Intro to Rock and Roll Band, Jazz Band and other guests. Concert Band students are selling pledges to all who are interested in supporting the trip, which will include a professional performance at Disneyland and a tour of the UCLA campus with an emphasis on the UCLA

instrumental music program.

### EC Garden Club

Ginger Summ, author of "Golds in Your Garden: A Guidebook for the Home Gardener" will share her experiences on growing and harvesting goods at the El Cerrito Garden Club meeting on Feb. 11 at 9:30 a.m. in the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane. Guests are welcome. Guest fee: \$3.

### Soroptimist dance benefit

The Soroptimist International of Albany presents a Country and Western Dance on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 1325 Portland Ave. Refreshments will be available. Tickets are \$10. and may be purchased at Albany Adult School, 655 Key Route Blvd. or Arrow Glass, 640 San Pablo Avenue. All proceeds fund the Albany Community Service Projects.

### Gary Lapow in Albany

The Buddy Club presents its own sing-along with Bay Area legend Gary Lapow on Sunday, Feb. 7 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Albany Community Center, 1249 Marin Ave. Lapow will feature music from his newest album, "Strong, Smart and Free". Tickets: \$6 per person (under 2 years free). Details: 652-SHOW.

### Community Health Fair

Doctors Medical Center offers free blood pressure and glucose screenings for men and women at a free community Health Fair at its Pinole campus, 2151 Appian Way, Tuesday, Feb. 9 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. February is Heart Month and also Black History Month, and African-American females need to be aware they have a 38 percent higher death rate from heart attack than white women and a 76 percent higher death rate from stroke. There will also be a cooking demonstration, nutrition and diabetes information, exercise and fitness tips, door prizes and giveaways. Everyone is invited. Details: Beth Reduck, 970-5021.

### 'Rameau and Company'

On Sunday, Feb. 7 at 3 p.m., the Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley 1 Lawson Road, Kensington, presents "Rameau and Company," a concert featuring three notable early music profes-

sionals: Julie Brendler, harpsichord, Louise Carslake, baroque flute, and Lynn Telenbaum, viola da gamba. The artists will perform late Baroque instrumental music — from flamboyant to tender — in solo and ensemble combinations. Suggested donation: \$15 general admission, \$10 seniors and students. The church is wheelchair accessible and parking is free. Details: 525-9302.

### Novelcan Harris reception

A musical reception honoring Novelcan Harris will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13, at the North Richmond Missionary Baptist Church, 1427 Filbert St., from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a special tribute "This is Your Life" featuring family and friends of Harris, a long-time Richmond resident who has been active in her church and community for over 50 years. She is the owner of one of the oldest beauty salons in Richmond, which she opened in 1944. Music will be performed by local Bay Area talent, and special guests from Georgia and Los Angeles. Details: Fran Miller-Harris, 233-2645 or Carolyn Smith, 529-0914.

### African American storytelling

On Sunday, Feb. 21, in celebration of Black History Month, the Richmond Museum of History presents Mario, in an afternoon of storytelling in the African American tradition. The one-hour performance begins at 2 p.m. in the Museum's Seaver Gallery. Described as "spellbinding," Mario is a well-known local performer who has traveled as far as Africa in search of stories to delight audiences of all ages. After the performance, guests are invited to enjoy light refreshments and visit the permanent exhibits. The museum, at the corner of Fourth Street and Nevin Avenue, is open Wednesday through Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. Details: 235-7387.

### Gourmet pancake benefit

On Feb. 27 from 6:30 to 11 a.m. the Berkeley Hills Nursery School sponsors a gourmet pancake breakfast at the El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Mooser Lane. Come for a breakfast with Rick and Anne's pancakes, real maple syrup, bacon, fresh fruit, fresh juice and Peet's coffee. Lots of kids activities including music by Robbie Dunbar, face painting, balloons and a treasure hunt. Details: 849-1216.

By ROXANNE WILEY

selected as Albany Pool Employee of the Month for December. He guards the early morning shift four days a week and does an excellent job. His smile and friendly manner are appreciated by — staff and swimmers.

Faith Wineman and Diane Tulley have been chosen as the Teachers of the fall. Both women do an excellent job with their classes. Faith teaches children's classes and Dianne instructs beginning swimming for adults and synchronized swimming for all ages. Thanks Ladies.

### YMCA Wine, Food benefit

Join the Albany YMCA on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the seventh annual Wine and Food Tasting and Silent Auction to raise funds to support youth and adult programs.

Taste a wide variety of premium wines and enjoy the services and gourmet foods of the many local businesses and restaurants that have given their support to this event including Chez Panisse, Britt Marie's, Lalime's Solano Grill and Bar Cafe de la Paz, Grace Baking, Cafe Grace, Cesar, Rivoli and many more.

Tickets are \$20 at the door, and a Childwatch/Pizza party is available for children of attendees at the YMCA Kids' Club Center on Solano Ave. for \$5 per child, advance registration please. The Albany YMCA is located at 921 Kains Ave. For more information call 525-1130.

## Police Reports

### Painted parking spot results in altercation

EL CERRITO —Near midnight on Jan. 4, a man attempted to steal a bicycle from a yard beside a residence on the 5200 block of Portello Avenue but fled when spotted by the owner.

On the 1700 block of Walnut Street an unknown suspect smashed the right wing window of an automobile Jan. 9 or 10, rifled through the car and stole a car phone adaptor and a Mag-lite flashlight.

On Jan. 13 at 9:30 a.m., a man painted his parking spot in an apartment building located on the 700 block of Liberty. A neighbor later claimed that when the garage floor was washed, paint splattered on his wife's car. He

confronted the painter, allegedly punched him in the face, and subsequently was placed under citizen's arrest for the attack.

On the morning of Jan. 15, an anonymous caller told police he spotted an abandoned bicycle beside St. John's School. Police recovered the bike, ran a check on the registration, and determined it was never reported stolen.

Two men entered the Target Store on San Pablo Avenue during the afternoon of Jan. 2 and tried to conceal \$142 worth of merchandise in a bag stashed in a shopping cart. When the pair attempted to leave the store without paying for the items, they

were arrested.

On Jan. 24, at 1:30 p.m. a man was arrested at Longfellow in El Cerrito Plaza after attempting to steal \$25 worth of goods.

A female entered the Target Store on San Pablo Avenue Jan. 24, picked items off the shelves, tried to return them for a refund. Apparently unsuccessful, she then walked out the store with the items in hand and was arrested.

A 25-year-old female attempted to cash a counterfeit check Jan. 26 at a bank on the 10400 block of San Pablo. However, there was a warning of activity on the account and was busted.

### Early-rising robbers hit Solano businesses

By K. OSBORN

ALBANY —At about 3:30 p.m. on Jan. 25 a man described as a black male, about 5-foot-7, thin build, wearing a blue and black baseball cap, blue and white shirt and jeans, entered a bank on the 1400 block of Solano Avenue and gave a note to the teller demanding money. A weapon was not seen and the thief took his note with him when he departed with the money. He was last seen going east on Solano Avenue. Police are investigating.

At about 2 a.m. on Jan. 25 Albany officers observed two men acting suspiciously on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue, and recognized one as having been arrested earlier in the month for public intoxication. The two disappeared but were again located and contacted. The 27-year-old Berkeley man and a 22-year-old Daly City man were found to be intoxicated. They were arrested and cited to be released when sober.

On the evening of Jan. 25 a resident of an apartment building on the 1400 block of Solano Avenue reported that thieves had broken into several storage lockers in the garage area of the building. There were no witnesses.

At about 11:30 p.m. on Jan. 25 Oakland police informed Albany dispatch that they had located a red '91 Jeep Cherokee reported as stolen from Albany on Jan. 19. The owner was notified.

At about 2:30 a.m. on Jan. 27 Albany officers observed a 37-year-old Albany woman who was known to have previous Albany warrants. A check found that she currently had two outstanding Albany warrants for traffic violations totaling \$12,000. She was arrested, cited and released with a Notice to Appear.

On the evening of Jan. 27 a resident on the 500 block of Pleasant Street reported that thieves had stolen his black '89 Honda. There were no witnesses.

On the morning of Jan. 28, resident on the 900 block of Carmel Avenue reported that during the night thieves had stolen a small table and chairs from off her front porch. There were no witnesses.

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## Albany Chamber of Commerce

### Spotlight: Brass Horse Doll Shop

We have some people in our community who are famous in another, the doll community. Marie and Bob Gardyne, owners of the Brass Horse on San Pablo are famous in the international doll community.

First, let me tell you about Marie and her doll expertise.

She is a jury member for two major doll magazines, which means she and the other jury members judge anywhere from 13 to 16 categories of dolls, ultimately selecting five dolls in each category to be featured in the magazines to be judged by the readership. She'll be in New York City at the Toy Fair in this month doing just that. Let's just say that just anybody can be a judge, let me tell you, this is a very select group of people and Marie is the only one of that stature in the Bay Area.

Dolls, dolls, dolls. The artists who design dolls often are invited to the Brass Horse to photograph their line of dolls. This is a very big occasion. Collectors come from all over to attend.

Doll collectors may collect antique dolls, collectibles, limited editions, one of a kind (artist originals) collectable is the Gene doll. Marie reports that this little beauty will soon replace the Barbie in popularity. Her outfits are gorgeous and follow an interesting story line as she matures through her (non-aging) life. She is taller than Barbie and in

my humble opinion is much more attractive.

The store has everything, doll clothes, doll books and paper dolls. The Gardynes also have a doll club for kids (age 8 to 17) called the Bay View Junior Doll Club. They meet monthly all year save two months in the summer and learn all about dolls: history, types, materials and quality. These youngsters recently made quite a hit at a recent Bay Area Council of Dolls Luncheon.

Bob is the "doctor" at the store and can mend all sorts of ailments. He has been featured on television several times.

If you are interested in dolls, do drop by and see the many wonders at the Brass Horse, 615 San Pablo Ave., or stop by their website: <http://members.aol.com/thebrasshr/index.html> or e-mail, thebrasshr@aol.com.

### Nielson Framing moving

Everything must go! Victoriano Gelay is moving to new digs and he wants to sell all the paintings and prints that are on his walls. This would be a great time for you to get a lovely piece of art at discounted prices. His store is on 1228 Solano and he will be there until Jan. 31 and then his new store will open at 1485 Solano on Feb. 1.

### Pool employee of month

Nathan Rynerson has been



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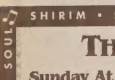


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### THE SINAI SONG SHEET

**Sunday At Sinai Series**  
The Fine Arts Foundation of Temple Sinai has invited three groups of musical performers for a multiethnic afternoon concert. Come on Sunday afternoon, February 7th, for a unique family program of exciting music.

We will have a young musician's group from Castro Valley's Congregation Shir Ami, a choir from Jones Memorial United Methodist Church in San Francisco, and the chorus from La Pena Cultural Center in Berkeley.

The Shir Ami group, *Kids of Klezmer*, will present nineteenth and twentieth century Eastern European Jewish music. They have been playing concerts throughout the Bay Area and are sharing Klezmer music and culture with people often not familiar with the tradition.

There is a rich history for this distinctive sound, and the excitement of this music will bring back memories of the days when Klezmerim roamed through the country side playing at weddings and festivals.

**The Beat Goes On**  
The *La Pena Chorus* has been singing songs of hope, justice and peace for over 20 years.

It started with the supporters of the Chilean exile community in the effort to raise awareness and gather funds against the then military dictatorship in Chile. Over the years, it has continued to sing on behalf of oppressed people in El Salvador, Nicaragua and in community struggles here at home.

The *La Pena Chorus* includes in its repertoire a wide range of music from Spirituals, Contemporary, Church music of the Baroque, Classical and Romance periods. They will perform music from the African Diaspora.

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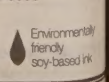


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# Will Dec. 31 be day computers cash in chips?

Government, community efforts take steps to prepare for 'Y2K bug'

By JAMES CARTER

As New Yorkers toss calendars from windows on New Year's Eve, they are also observing the new millennium, turning their inner "clocks" from 99 to 00. What happens next is anybody's guess.

The reason for the uncertainty about the Y2K, or the millennium bug, is a mesh of issues revolving around a decision made by computer programmers 50 years ago: to save memory and space, two digits were employed to represent dates instead of four.

Though nobody knows for certain what will happen when computers and microchips change their dates from 99 to 00, there is the question that the biggest worry on New Year's Day will not be the Rose Parade.

## How serious?

Nicholas Kaku is considered by many as one of the most respected scientists in the world. A professor of theoretical physics at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York, and co-author of the string field theory, Kaku told this reporter, "On Dec. 31, 1999, I'm going to be staying in my house, and I'm not going to go anywhere on New Year's Eve, though he does plan on checking all his bank statements on Jan. 1.

"I'm not going to be near a nuclear power plant, and I'll be away from a nuclear weapon plant as I can be. I am not going to buy a shotgun or ammo, and I'm not going to buy a house with canned goods, and I'm not going to the hills."

Kaku's reference to nuclear and weapons plants is due to potential problems both could experience as the result of Y2K. According to the noted scientist, in Sweden two nuclear power plants already shut down is due to Y2K problems. Kaku said the first plant shut down when software made a reference to the future. Consequently, technicians fast-forwarded the clock to see what would happen and another plant ceased operating.

Though there was no harm done by the shutdown in Sweden, Kaku said that under different conditions, such system failures could result in a meltdown. And the possibility of such a scenario "is no longer a hypothetical problem," he said. "It has already happened."

Such accounts have terrified some who see Y2K as the apocalypse, though Kaku is definitely not one of them. "For the most part, nothing is going to happen Dec. 31," he said. "However, I think we are going to be unpleasantly surprised when a few critical systems unexpectedly crash."

Reports about the hoarding of food, water, gold, and even weapons have created a panic among some individuals. However experts, public officials and community organizers all agree panic is counter-productive and dangerous. "Heading for the hills helps nobody," Kaku said. "The main thing is to convert this (situation) into political action."

Local resident Tom Atlee is doing just that. In addition to heightening awareness of the Y2K problem in the East Bay, Atlee has helped organize neighborhood and community groups that are addressing the Y2K issue on a variety of fronts.

## Chicken Little or Grasshopper and Ant?

Founder of the non-profit Co-Intelligence Institute, an organization devoted to creating sustainable communities, Atlee warns against "hoping the problem will go away," yet also reassures people Y2K is not the end of the world.

"It's dis-empowering for people to approach this problem on an individual basis," Atlee said. "People and communities should be involved in talking together and working out what should be done."

Though he warns there are potential problems ranging from water, power and food shortages to industrial accidents, Atlee and many others in the East Bay are working very hard to prevent such things from happening and to develop contingency plans if they do.

An editor of a popular book called "Awakening: The upside of Y2K," Atlee advocates contingency plans being prepared by companies, local governments, community groups and churches. "It's like insurance. You buy it even if you are healthy," he said.

## Local efforts

Berkeley City Manager James Keene initially did not take Y2K too seriously, according to Councilman Kriss Worthington. And many individuals, including public servants and even environmentalists, are still unaware of the potential impact of Y2K. In Keene's case, however, after looking into the issue he moved rapidly to form a citywide task force to address all aspects of the issue.

"What we've organized is a multi-institutional task force,"

## Y2K web sites and other sources of information:

■ William Ulrich — what local governments should do: [www.zdnet.com/zdy2k/1998/09/4793.html](http://www.zdnet.com/zdy2k/1998/09/4793.html)

■ The Y2K Sustainability Wave (Tom Atlee and Karen Mercer): [www.co-intelligence.org](http://www.co-intelligence.org)

■ Oakland 2001: Network for Community Preparedness: [www.anamorph.com/oak2001](http://www.anamorph.com/oak2001)

Keene said about the Y2K group. "It includes representatives from the police, the fire department, information systems, public works, and the city manager's office." According to Keene, the task force involves representatives from institutions throughout the city that might be affected by Y2K.

"We have a number of informed technical experts who are volunteering their time," Keene said. Also involved are CEOs from several companies, representatives from the utilities, Alta Bates Hospital, the University of California, Bayer, non-profit organizations, Lawrence Berkeley Laboratories and community groups.

Many neighborhoods in Berkeley are already organizing and taking the first step toward preparing for Y2K or any other potential disaster. Berkeley Councilman Worthington urged residents of the entire East Bay to "put the pressure on local and state governments" to actively address the Y2K problem.

In Berkeley and Oakland, community gardens are being established: Households are installing solar energy panels and neighborhoods are moving toward the

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## How 50-year-old programming decision created today's dilemma

By JAMES CARTER

The Y2K problem (or year 2000 computer bug) can be found in both software and embedded chips that exist everywhere from the Global Positioning Satellite that guides airplanes and ships to VCRs and coffee makers.

Though software systems are the overwhelming source of potential trouble, embedded chips also pose potential dangers.

Most microchips used in computers and other machinery are programmed to read years as two digits. So 1999, for example, is read simply as 99. The dilemma is that on Jan. 1, 2000, many software programs and chips will not recognize the date 00, might interpret it as the year 1900, and either malfunction or shut down.

According to William Ulrich, president of Tactical Strategy Groups, Inc., there are computers that see 00 and continue to process information. The specialist, whose firm performs Y2K contingency planning for Fortune 500 companies, said many systems will intake the date 00 and pass it up to a higher control system.

The higher level control system may then do what is called a trend analysis, process reports or perform calculations based upon that date. Yet the computer may not recognize 00 or may read it incorrectly. As a consequence, reporting or calculations would be incorrect.

Though such a problem may on the surface appear to be minor, it has already created major difficulties for industries that have tested their systems to see how they will perform at the beginning of the new millennium. Last Spring, General Motors performed just such a test. At one plant robots malfunctioned,

When Chrysler Corporation tested its Sterling Heights Assembly Plant last Spring and turned all the plant's clocks to Dec. 31, 1999, the security system shut down and nobody could get in or out of the plant, according to an article published in the Detroit Free Press. The time-clocks there didn't function either.

Ulrich, who wrote two books including "The Year 2000 Challenge Crisis: Challenge of the Century," said another problem may occur for systems that require frequent recalibration. "A 00 date setting may cause the system to shut down because it thinks it has not been recalibrated for 99 years," he said.

A computer might also search for what is called a "valid value," and 00 may not be considered one, according to Ulrich. When that occurs, some devices will simply shut down. For example, there is one type of chip used in certain I.V.s that will automatically turn themselves off under such conditions.

## Why two digits?

Early computer programmers saved money by using two digits instead of four.

When computers were first developed in the '40s, all the computers in the world combined did not have as much memory as one home computer does now, according to Ulrich. There are millions of dates used in any given organization, he said, and every single date is entered or copied millions of times. "Just think of social security, for example, and all of the dates that they require."

In the 1940s and early '50s, computers were huge — so big they could occupy entire buildings.

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# Albany has reason to celebrate as Community Center turns 5

By JAMES CARTER

ALBANY — Casey Jackson coiled and undulated like an inch worm and Jean-Paul Valjean spun tables and bottles and swords Jan. 23 as a packed crowd celebrated the fifth anniversary of the Community Center.

Born where the old Albany Hospital once stood, the Community Center occupies the eastern wing of a complex that includes the public library. The birthday celebration drew more than 100 celebrants, the crowd checked with children there to see circus performer Valjean balance on his head everything but the kitchen sink.

Bust-A-Move, a dance club formed by students at Albany High, also dazzled the crowd. They performed hip-hop and swing, break dancers donned the helicopter and the good foot, swingers the lindy hop and around the back over-the-top aerials.

After the program, Vice Mayor Jon Ely lauded the members of Bust-A Move.

"I was very impressed," he said. "There's a huge need for things for teenagers to do in the afternoon and this is a great, positive program. And it's their idea."

The festivities had kicked off earlier, when Ely welcomed the crowd. Referring to the Commu-

nity Center, he said, "It's really amazing, when you look back and see how they pulled this thing off." Ely thanked the many volunteers and activists that took the concept of a center and turned it into a reality.

Jewel Okawachi, one of the original members of the fundraising committee that launched a campaign for the center, remembered when it was located in a small structure adjacent to the new building. That building is gone now, replaced by a dazzling facility that — from the inside at least — is modern yet homey, spacious yet comfortable.

A pyramid-shaped ceiling opens up to the sky and windows and doors along Marin Avenue draw in the light while filtering

out the sounds of passing automobiles and chattering school kids. The center has tan wood floors, a full kitchen, and is bordered by a patio. Work done by local artists is displayed in the foyer — wonderful pieces that include paintings, photographs, and tapestries.

The community center and the library also have conference rooms available to the public for meetings, discussion groups, slide shows and films — you name it, as long as its legal.

Which brings us back to the birthday celebration.

Though there was nothing illegal about Valjean's act, he did appear to violate the laws of gravity on more than one occasion. The circus star — who could also make a living as a stand-up co-

median — accomplished feats one would expect to pay a fortune to see. Children riveted their eyes on the performer, sitting cross-legged on the floor directly in front of him. He had their rapt attention and he enjoyed every minute of it.

Valjean kicked a standing doll into the air — the doll landing atop his head like a triumphant gymnast completing a perfect routine. He balanced a golf ball set on a tee atop his nose, stood one ball on top of another, climbed into a barrel, juggled, and played with a Chinese yo-yo. And he was funny.

"I'm considered the most famous circus performer around," Valjean said, "in my price range."

## Behind the scenes

Caryl O'Keefe, library board chair, and Polly Reiheld, co-chair of the arts committee, seemed proud as doting parents as they served cake and soft drinks at the celebration. Okawachi — one of many outstanding citizens who have devoted every minute of their free time to the community — did what she has always done: whatever needed to make the event a success.

After the performance, children and adults ate cake and shared thoughts with their neighbors while members of Bust-A Move huddled together, planned their next dance and kicked around ideas for raising money. Founded by Adrienne Bunker Casey Jackson, Baruch Forman and Robert and David Yeaman in a very short time the club has grown in leaps and bounds and hopes — if able to raise the money — to begin the next round of dance lessons soon.

Paul Rockwell, director of the club, said "Albany's hip-hop vision of American Bandstand would not be possible without the generous support of the friends of the Albany Library and the Prevention Council." Rockwell, an intense man with tremendous energy, also sang praise to the community center, reminding residents how important it is to everyone who lives in Albany.

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development of what Atlee calls sustainable communities. "Y2K may prove to be a blessing in disguise," he said if people begin to work together to solve problems.

## El Cerrito

According to Jay Corey, Community and Administrative Service Manager for El Cerrito, that city has been working on the Y2K issue long before it was generally publicized. "We are in the middle of a significant upgrade in the police department and the rest of the city," he said. "Currently we're doing diagnostic work to determine the extent Y2K dating may or may not have an impact" on the community.

Corey said experts are going through an assessment of all embedded chips, including thermostats, air conditioning, motor vehicles, and smoke sniffers on fire trucks. Corey said the city is also working with mission critical vendors in preparation for Y2K.

This year when El Cerrito runs through its semi-annual emergency preparedness drill, in addition to fire and earthquake drills, "we're going to also plug in

some scenarios," related to a Y2K emergency, according to Corey.

## Albany

City Administrator Daren Fields said Albany's computer systems "are old and lousy," and that the city would be contacting manufacturers "to insure that their individual products have been safe-proofed."

"Because Albany is small and has limited resources, we will be utilizing in part the expertise and knowledge of other East Bay cities and the private sector in helping to address any Y2K problems which may occur," Fields said, adding "Albany is continuing disaster preparedness training for any emergency, whether it be Y2K, an earthquake, fire or other potential disaster."

## Want to know more?

All residents of the East Bay are invited to attend a large public forum Feb. 6-7 called "Y2K Around the Bay." The two-day conference held at the Masonic Memorial Temple, 3903 Broadway in Oakland will have speakers, discussion groups, and question-and-answer sessions for those who want to know more about Y2K and preparations.

For more details on that event, call: (415) 561-6501, ext. 17.

## Cause

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ings. "You used to pay a leasing fee of about \$75 a month for a megabyte of memory" back then, he said. "Today you would pay a fraction of a penny for the same amount of memory." As a consequence, using two digits instead of four saved companies huge amounts of money.

## Is that all folks?

Still another problem related directly to Y2K is the operation of what are called "mission critical systems."

A mission critical system is a general term applied to systems within any given association, according to Ulrich. It plays different roles depending on the nature of a particular company or organization. In the military, for example, a mission critical system probably deals with a life and death system, whereas in a bank, it might include systems directly related to revenue.

Essentially, mission critical systems affect the financial im-

pact, safety, or regulatory functions of an organization, Ulrich said. "If you work for NASA, a mission critical system could mean a system that controls oxygen in a spacecraft. That might be crucial, especially if you are an astronaut."

Non-mission critical systems are simply systems that are not crucial to an association or its operation.

"It just means that it is statistically irrelevant to the organization that owns it," Ulrich said, adding "that does not mean it won't have an impact on you or someone else."

## Does that really matter?

All of this might not matter except that when companies and governments address the Y2K problem — or any other for that matter — they generally employ what is known as "triage" rules — an approach to problems that would be employed by a hospital during a disaster where there were too many patients to treat at once.

In that scenario, patients that would have the first priority

would be individuals from 30-40 years old, according to Ulrich, since they are more likely to have families and responsibilities that have a direct economic impact. The second priority would be young children under the triage rules, and the last to be treated under catastrophic conditions would be the elderly.

Employing triage rules to the Y2K problem means that a company or organization would "fix" the most important computerized systems first and let others wait until they can "get around to them," Ulrich said.

If such "non-essential" systems don't function properly, there can be unforeseen effects.

For example, the security system at the General Motors Plant that failed may have been an non-essential system, as were the time clocks.

Though such examples may not appear to be particularly dangerous, many systems are linked together and the failure of one can have an impact on another.

The fact is that nobody really knows for sure what will or won't happen on New Year's Eve 1999.

## Rubicon taking applications

EL CERRITO — Rubicon Programs began taking applications for its new affordable housing building, the Idaho Apartments, on Feb. 1. There are 28 Single Room Occupancy units for individuals who are homeless and disabled with HIV/AIDS or mental illness at the complex at 10200 San Pablo Ave. in El Cerrito. Applicants are subsidized for qualified applicants. The complex is due to open in April 1999. For recorded information call 869-5663.



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## New superintendent takes helm

Last Monday was Dr. Gloria Johnston's first day at the helm of the West County School District in her new position as superintendent.

Johnston believes one of the most important qualifications she brings to this position is her "ability to keep an organization focused on the business of quality teaching and learning." Johnston's predecessor, Dr. Robert M. Cole, who announced his retirement last June, was credited with restoring financial stability to the district during the disastrous policies of his predecessor Walter Marks. Johnston said she is looking forward to the challenge of leading the district's academic performance.

Johnston's education, experience and track record point to an extremely well qualified person on this challenge. Her dissertation entitled, "A Study of California Superintendents' Instructional Leadership," is a longstanding and deep interest in the superintendent's role in planning, implementing, and evaluating instructional programs. Johnston spent thirteen years in positions of increasingly

greater administrative responsibility in large school districts in San Diego and Illinois. As the Director, Learning Support Services, for the Poway Unified School District (26,000 students) in San Diego County, Johnston developed curriculum, instruction, and assessments and directed categorical programs. Prior to joining the Poway District, Johnston served as Director of Bilingual Education for a large urban school district in Illinois.

Most recently, Dr. Johnston spent five years as superintendent for the Banning Unified School District in Southern California. Last December, I visited the BUSD with a group of board members seeking more information about Johnston's performance there as superintendent.

While a much smaller district, Banning suffers from many of the same problems affecting the WCCUSD. The campuses I visited were alive with learning activity as well as being clean and well maintained even though some of them were as old or much older than many of our schools. Representatives of business, city government, community and parent organizations we spoke with formally and informally were enthusiastic about Johnston's creativity and commitment to



public engagement in schools.

Almost all teachers I spoke with individually had a deep respect for the emphasis and priority Johnston had brought to classroom teaching and learning.

We know that no single individual will magically solve all of our district's problems. That will take all of us working together. As we continue down the road to building one of the best school districts in the nation, I'm confident we'll have a great leader in front of us, Dr. Gloria Johnston.

Glen Price is a WCCUSD board member; the opinions and views expressed in West County School Watch are his own and do not reflect official views or positions of the school board or WCCUSD unless otherwise noted.

## Portrait of EC's regional science fair winner

By KAZUE NAKAHARA

Hui Yu, a senior at El Cerrito High School, is a remarkable young lady. As an only child, she came from Canton China to start in the eighth grade.

True to the meaning of her name "Sunshine," she has shone radiantly here in the United States.

She was mainstreamed out of English as a second language in ninth grade and joined the "Forensics" team as a junior. She has competed in both individual events as well as debate (a team event). In her first speech competition she compared the educational system in China with that of the United States. She felt China builds a stronger foundation of the basic skills and introduces higher mathematics sooner than America.

However, calculus is not offered in high school in China. She also noted that the Chinese system is based on many rules while the American way of education emphasizes more freedom and creativity. She was surprised that calculators are used freely in the U.S. classroom. In China they are only allowed to use math tables.

Just this last weekend, Yu was one of six to win a finalist trophy at a competition in San Francisco for her speech on biotechnology. Her premise was that biotechnology is necessary and helpful, but must be regulated more strictly to prevent abuses and harmful side effects. This latest award makes her eligible for "State Qualifications" in March.

For the past three summers she has participated in the Academic Talented Summer program at UC Berkeley where high school

## West Contra Costa Science Fair spotlights district's best

The West Contra Costa Science Fair, featuring approximately 175 projects from the secondary schools in the West Contra Costa and John Swett Unified school districts will be held the week of Feb. 8 to 13 at Contra Costa College in San Pablo off Castro Street.

Established in the mid 1950s, this annual science fair has displayed the talents of the students in grades 7 through 12. This year, schools represented include Adams, Helms, portola and Carquinez middle schools; Pinole Junior High; and De Anza, El Cerrito, Kennedy, Pinole Valley, and Richmond high schools.

The Awards Ceremony will be on Thursday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m. in

Room 100 of the Liberal Arts Building. Immediately following the Awards Ceremony, the participants and the public are invited to view the projects and enjoy refreshments from 8 p.m. to 9:50 p.m. on the second floor of the Gym Annex (Room GA 40). Project visitations will also be held on Saturday, Feb. 13, from 9 a.m. to noon, followed by project removal from noon to 2 p.m.

Free parking will be available after 5 p.m. on Thursday and Saturday on the street and in the student parking lots of the Contra Costa campus. Details: Kazue Nakahara at Portola Middle School (524-0405) or Norm Seraphin at El Cerrito High School (527-1797).

## Albany PTA Council News

By Kay Weinstein

### Albany High School

SCRIP Orders: Support by buying Safeway, Safeway's or Lucky certificates. Linda Okamoto at 525-6782. Linda Lum at 528-2429.

Feb. 4, Instructional Implementation Committee meeting, 7 p.m., AHS Room 53

Thursday, Feb. 6, AHS Choir

and Trip Fundraiser, 6:30 to 4 p.m. Rummage Sale/Car Wash. Please join to support the AHS Choir!

Goods and rummage sale donations can be dropped off at AHS Little Theatre between 8:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., Friday, Feb. 5 or call Kris Hardie (528-2387) or Don Rasmussen (521-1313) for pick-up on Friday,

Feb. 6, AHS Band Play-a-thon, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., AHS

Theater Symphonic Band, Jazz Band and

Intro to Rock & Roll Band will perform at Disneyland trip fundraiser

• Feb. 8, Site Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., AHS Library

Feb. 8, AHS Music Boosters, 7 p.m., AHS Band Room

Feb. 11, Principal's Roundtable, 5 p.m., AHS Room 53

### Albany Middle School

Feb. 4, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m., AMS Library, Topic: Transition to New AMS Site in fall 1999

### Cornell Elementary School

Feb. 10, PTA Meeting, Cornell Library

### Albany Citizens Parcel Tax Committee

Feb. 10, Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., AMS Library

### AUSD Board

Feb. 9, Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Cornell Multi-Purpose Room

Items? Call Kay Weinstein at 525-0363 or email: kayweinstein@yahoo.com

## Plaza

Continued from front page develops.

The Emporium building would be torn down and replaced by parking. Three new buildings of 20,000 square feet or more would be built, as well as a 69,000-square-foot building for Lucky supermarket and a drug store. The plan probably will go to the city Planning Commission by early March, Noyan said.

The proposal, called "contemporary retail" by the developers, received an unenthusiastic re-

sponse from residents and council members when it was presented last year.

The developers came back with a better-received proposal for a 3,000-seat movie theater and a 900-space parking garage at the site that would have required financial participation by the city.

"(The City Council is) probably tired of seeing us, and we want to see the project move forward," Noyan said. "Everybody at the end of the day felt the price tag didn't justify the project."

## 'Chief Operator' traffic safety song contest returns

ALBANY — The police department's noted combo "Elvis and the Lawman" are again using their musical talents as part of a program to educate Bay Area youths about traffic safety. Lt. Bill Palmini, "Elvis," and Sgt. Art Clemons, "The Lawman," are the spokesmen for the Chief Operator Teen Driver Program. The duo performs songs about traffic safety and encourage kids to participate in various learning ac-

tivities at school assemblies and events around the country. The program encourages youths to participate by holding a song-writing contest. Youths write songs about traffic safety and winners have their song professionally recorded and distributed to schools and at public events. Forty-two area police agencies are helping promote this year's contest, which started Jan. 15 and runs through April 30.

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# HEALTH & FITNESS

## Why Can't You Adhere To A Weekly Fitness Program?

By Dr. Laura VanHarn



Hi, it's me again, Dr. Laura VanHarn, Ph.D., your local Exercise Physiologist. The new year is 1 month less and you are not getting younger. If you are over 40 and not involved in a regular exercise regimen, you are also getting weaker every month. You are losing your muscle mass at a rate of 1% per year and when you reach the age of 80 you will have lost over 40% of your lean body mass and increased your fat stores by 20%. It is not an option to be sedentary if you value the quality of your life as you grow older. If you have lost 40% of your strength, you will probably need a walking aid to get around and you will not be able to get up from the ground if you fall...**WOW!!**

With all of these facts available and you still can't adhere to a regular strength and conditioning program. Why?? Rather than dwell on why you can't, here are 5 steps you can take to be successful.

**PRIORITY** - If you do not schedule exercise on a weekly basis and make it as important as other top priority appointments it will not happen. Your health is more important than anything else.

**KNOWLEDGE AND INDEPENDENCE** - If you do not know what to do for your individual fitness program it would be hard to make it a priority. If you join a Health Club or a Gym and pay the basic fee, you will still not know what to do. If you hire a Personal Trainer, nine times out of ten, their knowledge is barely above yours. In addition, most personal trainers depend on your

"workout money" and so they must make you dependent on them. Find a fitness professional who will give you the knowledge and help you achieve exercise independence.

**A PROFESSIONALLY DESIGNED PROGRAM AND REALISTIC GOALS** - If you have found the right fitness professional, they will design a secure program for you and show you how to modify it. When choosing your guide look for graduate level academic training. In exercise science and extensive clinical experience. Most certified trainers do not have this.

**CONVENIENCE AND ENVIRONMENT** - Your exercise location must be convenient and have an environment which feels comfortable to you. This is very personal so be very picky.

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## As I See It...

By Dr. Jason A. Deitch

Love has amazing powers transcending money, politics and even science. It is the most powerful emotion known to humans. Love can heal relationships between two people, two families or two countries. It can heal cancer according to Dr. Bernie Siegel. It can cure heart disease according to Dr. Dean Ornish. The power of love can be the driving force to wake up each and every morning excited for a new day's adventure. As John Lennon said, "All you need is Love" the rest is all wants and desires.

While there are those who are convinced of what needs to be done to cure heart disease, others continue the search for how we can stay young at heart. Culturally, we relate the heart with love. What we believe culturally

influences what we experience physically. Could it be that people are dying of heart disease more, because people are feeling love less? Love may be the missing link that researchers are spending billions of dollars searching for.

As a doctor, I experience the healing power of love everyday and know that it is the most powerful of emotions. Aches, pains, illnesses and diseases have the potential to heal naturally when given the most appropriate environment to do so. Love helps the healing process. Many Doctors of Chiropractic that I know spend extra time understanding the importance of love and its relationship to healing. We share our love with the people we care for by listening with compassion, providing words of hope, and restoring a connection to our healing power within, using human touch.

Dr. Jason A. Deitch is a Doctor of Chiropractic for 24-Hour Fitness, Oakland and is in private practice in the beautiful Oakland Hills, CA. He cares for infants through seniors and specializes in helping people better understand their health and wellness. Dr. Jason is available for onsite seminars and consultation. Call for more information (510) 531-Life (5433) or at drjason@mindspring.com

## Gastrointestinal Health Improves Immunity

By Dale Bhar



ironically the antibiotics that your doctor may have prescribed this winter for helping you get through your cold or flu may end up weakening your body's immune system. That is because antibiotics have a broad spectrum effect and destroy populations of both friendly and unfriendly bacteria.

We don't think of friendly bacteria in our gastrointestinal tract as important components of our immune system. Yet friendly bacteria play many important roles in our body's quest to defend itself against disease. Friendly bacteria enhances the immune system best when our levels of B vitamins, folic acid, and riboflavin are ade-

quate, and by acting as natural antibiotics they help the body subdue many bacterial enemies including: Candida, E. Coli, Salmonella, etc.

Friendly bacteria aid in digesting toxic chemicals as well as subdue unfriendly bacteria, and help the body to metabolize hormones. Friendly strains of bacteria are needed by your gastrointestinal tract to help with proper digestion of your food and to synthesize necessary vitamins. Their antibiotic properties help the body fight against yeast and urinary tract infections. So make sure your body has a healthy population of friendly flora.

## Acupuncture Works!

By Albert Newton, Business Manager at Montclair Acupuncture

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**Senior Day at Albany Library**: 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.; "Touring Scotland" refreshments provided; Albany Library, 1247 Main Ave.; 746-1499.

**Washington 55+ Activity Center** through Feb. 11 a.m.; movie, "The Silk Road"; 11 a.m.; travel, "The Silk Road, Part 1" with Jackie

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Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington Ave., 526-9146 for weekly schedule or information.

**Ongoing SMART project**: the Alcohol Research Group in Berkeley is conducting a study to compare the cost and effectiveness of two kinds of substance abuse day treatment: medical model day treatment and social model day treatment. By calling 1-888-249-8802 and agreeing to do three interviews, individuals chosen for the study receive free treatment at existing treatment programs.

**Stroke Support Group for Stroke survivors**, their families and friends. No advance reservations required. Meets the first Tuesday of each month 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Maffly Auditorium, Herrick Campus, 2001 Dwight Way. Also on Jan. 5, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Reducing your Risk for a Second Stroke. And Feb. 2, Questions and Answers with Bradley Wrubel M.D., Neurologist.

**The Women's Cancer Resource Center Friends and Family Support Group** offers a group for emotional support for family and friends of women with cancer every 1st and 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Call 255-0891 before your first meeting. WCRC Grief Group meets Tuesdays, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for 8 weekly sessions. Call 548-9272 or 649-9818. Stress Reduction / Relaxation Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All groups meet at 3023 Shattuck.

**New Beginnings** - a chemical dependency treatment program at Doctors Medical Center in Pinole - offers community support group information, free assessments, education and counselors who can talk about drug and alcohol dependency treatment and prevention. Call 724-1520 for information.

**The Edible Schoolyard**, an organic gardening and cooking program at Berkeley's King middle School, seeks volunteers to work with students, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 558-1335 for information.

**English-in-Action** lets you make friends from around the world. Volunteer as a conversation partner with a foreign UC scholar/student for one hour a week. WYCA, at Berkeley. Call 843-9716.

**Women's Daytime Drop-in Center** in Berkeley; serving women who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, needs volunteers. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are

## New York Times Magazine Puzzle

### HIDDEN ZOO

BY NANCY NICHOLSON JOLINE / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

The names of 12 common animals are concealed inside some of the answers in the completed grid, reading across and down. Can you find them all?

ACROSS	51 North Carolina county named for a Revolutionary War commander	99 Scottish river known for its salmon fishing	10 Hospital figure
1 El —	100 1986-87 Mets All-Star	11 Hospital apts.	12 Unglued
6 It helps you see plays	101 N.Y. Knicks venue	13 Dash	14 Melancholic
11 N.L. batting champ, 1964, '65 and '67	102 Some dummies	15 Calendario part	16 Suffix with neat
19 Dish sometimes served with bacon	103 Sunken ship explorers	17 — kwon do	18 Bishop of — ("Henry V" character)
20 Kind of roll	104 Trading letters	23 Novelist Lurie	24 Width specification
21 House style	105 Raised	27 Penthouse feature	31 Like a depth finder
22 Active again	106 "Hand it over!"	32 Skinny-dipping	33 Employ
24 Way out, computerwise	111 Holidays overseas	35 Walking —	36 Nursery school need
25 Kind of strength	114 Kind of manual	37 Head of a noted clan	38 Went boldly
26 It won't hold water	116 Unremarkable either way	39 Destroy	40 They may be rattled
28 Odd cat	120 Settle	41 Anesthetized	42 Staff positions?
29 Figure of Arthurian legend	124 Place to crouch	43 Pauciloquent	47 Tad
30 Strains	126 Member	48 The Beatles' — "Loser"	49 More rubicund
32 — ha-Shanah	127 "A Passage to India" woman — Quested	52 Like modern messages	55 Like a Puccini aria
35 La Fenice productions	128 "The House of Blue Leaves" playwright	57 Not going anywhere	59 Start of a bridge declaration
38 Wrap	129 Cry of disagreement	60 Ship's dir.	64 Ship's dir.
40 Somerset Maugham's — "Better"	130 Arrested	66 1996 French film — "Vep"	68 One of eight Eng. kings
43 Rallies	131 Satisfactory marks	69 Goof-off	70 Missile stat
45 Diner owner in "Beverly Hills 90210"	DOWN	71 Necklace piece	72 Some are precious
46 One of the newly rich	1 Superabundance	73 Traveler's info	74 Continuing stories
50 Eur. nation	2 Ready	75 Flashed signs	76 It may be found in a pit
	3 Sen. Bayh	77 "For you there's rosemary and —", "The Winter's Tale"	
	4 Church vessel	78 "CHI's" star of '70's-80's TV	
	5 Second, e.g.	79 Fork off	
	6 Scintilla	80 Middle of a suit?	
	7 John of London	81 Retains	
	8 Cross to bear	82 Like "The Shining," e.g.	
	9 Keep track of	83 Bath installation	
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**Albany Arts Committee** celebrates the Foyer Gallery with a retrospective exhibit running through Feb. 22. The purpose is to highlight Albany Artists. Hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For further information, call 524-9283.

### Lectures and workshops

**Feb. 5**  
**"Walkin' the Talk: Conversations with Prophets of Our Time"**, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.; the Wesley Foundation presents Rev. Lucious Walker, Executive Director of Interreligious Foundation for Community Organizing and Pastors for Peace; 2398 Bancroft Way, corner of Dana, Berkeley; 594-1224.

**Feb. 7**  
**"Healing and Pain"**, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.; "Ways to Transform Pain" with Sylvia Gretchen; also, an open house until 5 p.m., refreshments will be served; Tibetan Nyingma Institute, 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley; 843-6812.

**Feb. 8**  
**"Build a Healthy Back Workshop"**, 6:45 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.; gentle movements, breathing exercises and postural work to relieve pain and restore muscle balance; bring mat and pillow to class; 559-6580 to register; \$15.

**Feb. 9**  
**An Almost Sacred Text: Abraham Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address**, 7:30 p.m.; with Dr. Gerald Brauer, University of Chicago Divinity School; Board Room, Graduate Theological Union Library, 2400 Ridge Road, Berkeley; 649-2422.

**Ongoing**  
**"Art-On-Site"**, Wednesdays 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. through March 24; eight-week slide-lecture and field trip series; Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center, 1414 Walnut St.; 525-2464.

**Literary Events**  
**Feb. 7**  
**"Bending Home: New & Collected Poems"**, 7 p.m.; book signing and reading with author Susan Griffin; Ecology Center Bookstore, 2530 San Pablo Ave.; 548-2220.

**Museum Reading**, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.; "Here I Am: Contemporary Jewish Stories from Around the World" edited by Marsha Lee Berkman and Elaine Marcus Starkman, and "A Thousand Kisses" by Renata Polt; Judah L. Magnes Museum, 2911 Russell St., Berkeley; 549-6950.

**Ongoing**  
**"Strong Women — Writers and Heroes of American Literature"**, 1:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. every Thursday; free course in the Berkeley Adult School Older Adults Program; Helen Rippler Wheeler, instructor; North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst, corner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Way; 549-2970 after 9 a.m.

### Meetings

**Feb. 5**  
**American Schizophrenia Association**, 7 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.; Alliance for the Mentally ill monthly family support group; Claremont Branch Berkeley Library Meeting Room; 841-8361.

**Feb. 8**  
**"Save Section 8"**, 1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.; "Affordable Housing in East Bay Communities" narrated slide show program presented by East Bay Housing Organizations, followed by discussion. North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst.


**Ongoing**  
**Higher Alignment**, 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Mondays; fun, informative seminars creating spiritual partnerships; Feldenkrais Center, 830 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; (415) 461-5337; \$20.

**Alta Bates Support Groups**  
**Stroke Support group** meets the first Tuesday of every month; 4 - 5 p.m.; 204-4503. **Arthritis Support Group** meets the second Tuesday of every month; 1 - 2:30 p.m.; 204-4503. Call for additional special events.

**Overeaters Anonymous**, a 12 step program providing free aid for those with eating problems, meets in Berkeley every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. (newcomers at 8 a.m.) at St. John's Church, 2727 College Ave. and in Richmond every Thursday at 7 p.m. at Kaiser Hospital, 901 Nevin (take Elevator C to the third floor). For further information, call 273-9292.

**Avatar Metaphysical Toastmasters**; meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 6:15 p.m. to 7:30

  
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**Toastmasters**; noon - 1 p.m. Tuesdays; stand up and say what you mean; practice with the toastmasters; 700 Heinz Ave., Berkeley; 883-6708.

### Music/Dance

**Feb. 5**  
**Crown Imperial: Marches and Military Music for Pipe Organ**, 11:15 a.m.; Simon Berry presents Walton's Crown Imperial, Elgar's Nimrod, and Coate's The Dam Busters; The Church of St. David of Wales, 5641 Esmond Ave., Richmond; 237-1531.

**Feb. 7**  
**"Rameau and Company"**, 3 p.m.; a concert of late Baroque instrumental music. Unitarian Universalist Church of Berkeley, 1 Lawson Road, Kensington; 525-0302.

**Ongoing**  
**Friday Night Folk Dancing**, 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.; no partners necessary for line dances taught from Rumania, Bulgaria, Israel, Turkey, Near East and other lands each Friday from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., followed by request dances from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. No experience necessary - all ages welcome. Albany YMCA, 901 Kains Ave.; \$4; call 525-1542.

### Outdoors

**REI Berkeley**  
**Feb. 4**; "Reaching for the Top: Annapurna and Beyond" 7 p.m.; Arlene Blum and a team of 13 women made the first American ascent of Nepal's Annapurna I in 1978. Join her in a 20th anniversary presentation.

**Feb. 11**; "Trekking and Travel in Nepal and Tibet" 7 p.m.; Suzanne Behrenfeld spent three months traveling through Pakistan, western China and Tibet after a two-year assignment with the Peace Corps in Nepal. This slide presentation hits the highlights of her 1996 - 98 adventure.  
 1338 San Pablo Ave; 527-4140.

### Religion

**Feb. 7**  
**Sycamore Congregational Church**; 9:45 a.m.; Nichigobu Worship service; 1111 Navellier St., El Cerrito; 525-0727.

**Feb. 5 & 6**  
**Rabbi Laib Wolf**; three lectures: Feb. 5, Friday Night Services and Dinner, 5:15 p.m. - 10 p.m. Berkeley Hillel, lecture — Through Spiritual Insight Behavioral Kabbala and Jewish Medi-

tation, 2736 Bancroft Way; 845-7793, extension 15; \$12.50

**Feb. 6**, Shabbat Lunch (private location), 3 p.m. — lecture, When You Stop Falling In Love, You Can Start Loving: Depending Relationships Through the Flow of Love — A Spiritual Approach; 540-5824; \$10.  
**Saturday Night Seminar**, 7:30 p.m., lecture — Subject-Achieving Self-Mastery: Mind and Emotion, The Ten Sefirot or Kabbala as a Template for Wellbeing, Congregation Beth Israel, 1630 Bancroft Way; 540-5824; \$10.

### Theater, Dance & Film

**Feb. 7**  
**"Swing Before Spring Dance"**; 4 p.m. - 8 p.m.; benefit for the Women's Daytime Drop-In Center with music by the Riffraff swing band; Pyramid Brewery Brew Room, 901 Gilman St., Berkeley; \$25.

**Ongoing**  
**"To Kill a Mockingbird"**, 8 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays through Feb. 20, one Thursday performance Feb. 18; Actors Ensemble of Berkeley's 42nd season, directed by John Dahlen; 528-5620 for reservations; \$9.

## Bicycle Film and Video Festival at La Peña

The annual Bicycle Film and Video Festival will take place on Sunday Feb. 7, from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at La Peña Cultural Center, 3105 Shattuck Ave. in Berkeley. Now in its fourth year, the festival has become the venue for cutting-edge bicycle films in the U.S.

Feature-length films, commercials, shorts, animation, and documentaries will be presented. Many of the films are the work of local and independent filmmakers. All genres will be represented, from comedy and art, to advocacy and drama.

Among this year's films are "Chicago Messenger," "Autoschreck," "Beauty and the Bicycle," "The Secret is Out" (an exposé of police brutality at Critical Mass), and "Meet the Pedalman," which recently premiered at the Yerba

Buena Center for the Arts. Ecotopias exhibit. Performance and bicycle music will also be featured.

The festival will also feature an auction of bike gear and other goodies from local businesses and a bike art gallery. Free valet bike parking will be provided.

The Bicycle Film and Video Festival is a fund-raiser for the cycle-Friendly Berkeley Coalition, Berkeley's community bicycle activist and resource organization. All proceeds go toward making Berkeley and the Bay Area a better place for bicyclists.

La Peña is three blocks from Ashby BART and on the ACT Transit #43 line. Admission is free to \$20. Viewers can stay all day or just see one or two films. For details and show times call 510-549-1000.

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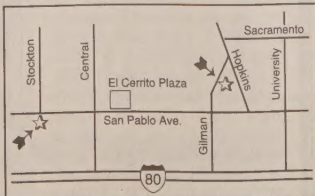


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## Slope Talk

By Ginny Prior

"On my daughter's 9th birthday my wish came true. Foot after foot of fresh snow fell at Yosemite's Badger Pass. We took the shuttle from the Ahwahnee Hotel along the winding rain-soaked road, through the redwood forests ... dodging the shadows of the mysterious gray granite looming above us. Badger Pass is a trip back in time, to the way skiing used to be. Friendly, carefree, uncrowded ... a dance with nature as you glide down the hill. It's totally the opposite of most skiing today, where you feel more like a driver merging in heavy traffic on the interstate. Many don't know this, but Badger Pass is California's first ski area, opening in 1935. Of course lifts have modernized and more slopes have opened since those early days, but you can't escape the nostalgia, and my daughter and I were caught up in the magic. It was the kind of day that winter dreams are made of.

Pristine snow was falling fast and free, a magical mist hanging low over the mountains ... and thunder ... rumbling, crackling thunder from the valley below. If you've never skied in Yosemite National Park, you should. Winter is my favorite season in the park. It's clean and serene, as God intended. The Ahwahnee Hotel was toasty warm, with crackling fires in many rooms. Rain was falling gently outside, adding a spar-

ling dew to the meadows. The waterfalls were bursting from every rock and crevice and the four buses were quiet ... except for a few visitors and employees who used them to stay dry.

Romantic doesn't begin to describe Yosemite in the winter. This is the season when the true nature lover comes to the park, someone on a spiritual journey, looking for peace and harmony in the world around them. My husband and I were looking for food.

Winter is the season when the Ahwahnee Hotel celebrates its Chefs Holidays. These are wonderful culinary events, filled with cooking demonstrations, tastings and fine dining. Where a meal at home takes 3 minutes to eat, dinner in the grand dining room at the Ahwahnee Hotel can take 3 hours. Each dish builds on the next, flavors complementing flavors until your senses explode ... and are satisfied.

After dinner you can sit by the fire and read, or enjoy a glass of fine wine. My husband brought a book of tales from the Wild West. I lost myself in a steamy romantic novel. Later that night we compared notes.

Outside people were walking casually, arm in arm. Rangers were holding photography classes with black and white film, the best way to capture the contrasts of winter. Skaters were gliding on shimmering ice in the shadows of Half Dome and the old bell was ringing for ski school to begin at Badger Pass. Everything as it was ... so many years ago.

## Girls Rule at Tahoe Resorts

By Ginny Prior

Just call me "Mom the Bomb." That's what my daughter calls me when we ski together. In kid lingo "the bomb" means something "cool," and Kara thinks it's cool when we're out on the slopes. In fact, for bonding, it ranks right up there with mother/daughter shopping. But this Saturday, your Winter Sports will be much less expensive.

February 6th is "Take your daughter to the Slopes Day" at dozens of ski resorts. Organized last year to encourage more girls to ski and snowboard, it's picking up steam. Olympic Champion Picabo Street is the event's official spokesperson now, and more than 300 resorts, sports shops and suppliers are participating.

Here are some of the Tahoe ski areas offering special mother/daughter deals:

- **Alpine Meadows** - \$20 beginner, intermediate or advanced lessons excluding equipment and lift tickets. 2-for-1 showstoe rentals. 2-for-1 lunch specials in Kealy's Restaurant.

- **Badger Pass, Yosemite** - Downhill 2-for-1 Learn to Ski package \$45; Cross Country 2-for-1 Learn to Ski package \$40;

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- **Bear Valley, Bear Valley** - Purchase an adult all day (\$35) lift ticket and your daughter skis/rides for free (ages 19 & younger); Receive 2 commemorative photographs for the price of 1 through West World Images.

- **Boreal** - All day lift ticket for moms for \$28; Daughters ski free with L.D.

- **Diamond Peak** - Free daughter ticket with purchase of adult ticket.

- **Dodge Ridge** - Mother/daughter deal: If under 13, daughter gets a free lift ticket; Over 13 years old, parents get \$5 off a full day Adult lift ticket.

- **Northstar-at-Tahoe** - Buy an all day lift ticket or First Timers Ski/Snowboard Package and receive a free First Timers package; Free on mountain photo with you and your daughter; 2-for-1 tubing; Free ice cream at the Village Food Company with purchase of lunch at Timbercreek or Pedro's.

- **Sierra-at-Tahoe** - Sierra's top female instructors will provide free women's clinics for skiing and snowboarding. Avalanche Snowboards will offer free demos. More competitive participants can try a fun obstacle course and receive either a free or discounted return visit to Sierra-at-Tahoe. Age 13 & over daughter will receive a free voucher for an all-day Sierra-at-Tahoe lift ticket. Daughters 12 and under will receive a voucher for a \$35, all day Wild Mountain Children's Camp-session. Vouchers good Monday through Friday during non-holiday periods.

- **Sugar Bowl Resort** - Anyone who comes to the ticket windows with their 6-12 year old daughter on Feb. 6 and mentions the promotion will receive a free ticket for their daughter with their paid adult lift ticket.

## On The Snowline

By Charlie Coane

An interesting winter time activity that has grown a lot in popularity recently is snowshoeing. It is normally offered at the major Nordic areas, and it's become popular for several reasons. Foremost, it's about the easiest activity you can do in the snow with something on your feet. So for people who may feel a bit uneasy even on Nordic skis, snowshoeing can work. And modern snowshoes are pretty simple to deal with. They will enable you to venture out here and become "one with nature." And it certainly can be vigorous exercise, too, and layered clothing is probably the best bet as it is in Nordic skiing. You can rent the snowshoes at most Nordic areas and the learning curve is easy. You'll use the same trails as the Nordic skiers. It has become particularly popular at Kirkwood on Highway 88 and at Bear Valley on Highway 4. Other areas that have active snowshoeing include centers at Diamond Peak, Dodge Ridge, Resort at Squaw Creek, Spooner Lake, Northstar-At-Tahoe, and others.

## Skiing does not cost an arm & a leg

By Charlie Coane

"Never Pay Retail" is a phrase which can also be applied to buying a lift ticket for skiing or snowboarding. There is almost always some way to save a few dollars off a \$45-\$50 ticket.

For example, certain bank teller machines offer discounts at a couple of major areas in our Sierra. And, other resorts offer various types of frequent user discounts too. Some areas such as Alpine, Northstar and Mt. Rose have a special pricing for teens. Seniors get a break at all resorts ... but a senior can be 60, 65 or 70. Kids 6-12 also get a break everywhere and Squaw Valley offers them a ticket at \$5. Some areas have big discounts during certain weekdays ... such as Diamond Peak's half price Wednesdays and they also have a special priced twilight ticket everyday. Homewood has a 2-for-1 on Wednesdays and Mt. Rose has the same on Tuesdays, plus students for \$15 on Wednesdays.

You'll even find certain ski slopes offering a special pricing, too. You get the idea: there's always a "deal" somewhere that can save you quite a few bucks ... especially if you have a family with several children. For more information about any resort, check: [aminews.com](http://aminews.com)

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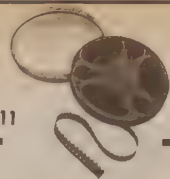


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## Spend a romantic Valentine's at the movies

Local cinemas have scheduled special showings for Valentine's Day.

### UC features Audrey Hepburn

On Sunday, Feb. 14., the UC Theatre, 2036 University Ave., invites you to bring a loved one and settle in with a bag of popcorn for two Audrey Hepburn films at Berkeley's favorite lovebarn. "This is the perfect opportunity to impress your sweetheart with your impeccable taste and practice those 'Richie Cunningham yawn and stretch' snuggle techniques that work best in a dark theater," say exhibi-

tors, who advise the romantic not to miss their "chance to marvel in the grand innocence and enchanting work of the legendary Audrey Hepburn, in pristine black and white, on the UC Theatre's beautiful new screen."

"Roman Holiday" shows at 2:20 p.m. and 7 p.m., featuring Hepburn in her Oscar winning role as a bored, lovelorn princess who runs away from her royal life to find romance with American news reporter Gregory Peck. The paired screening is "Sabrina" at 12:05 p.m., 4:40 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. with Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart.

Tickets are \$6.50 general ad-

mission and \$4.50 for seniors, children, and the disabled. Those who attend the first show of the day, or any show beginning before 3:30 p.m., can take advantage of the bargain matinee price of \$4.50. Details: 843-FILM.

### Free for early-rising lovers

For those who are romantic but more budget-minded, the Renaissance Rialto Theaters offer free 10 a.m. screenings on Valentine's weekend (Feb. 13, 14 and 15, which is President's Day).

At the Oaks Theater, 1875 Solano Ave. in Berkeley (526-1836) you can choose from the romantic comedy "Gentlemen

Prefer Blondes" (1953, Jane Russell, Marilyn Monroe) in theater 1; or the equally romantic comedy "Palm Beach Story" (1942, Claudette Colbert, Joel McCrae) in theater 2.

At the Grand Lake Theater, 3200 Grand Ave. in Oakland (452-3556), the choice is the romantic drama "African Queen" (1951, Katherine Hepburn, Humphrey Bogart) in theater 1; or "Daddy Long Legs" (1955, Fred Astaire, Leslie Caron) in theater 2.

Each film will be played at 10 a.m. only on Feb. 13, 14 and 15. Admission is free on all available seating and doors will open at 9:30 a.m.

### Bay Events

#### Time Began to Rant and Rage

Berkeley Art Museum and the Pacific Film Archives present the ground-breaking exhibition "When Time Began to Rage: Figurative Painting from Twentieth-Century Ireland" from Feb. 10 and continuing through May 21. This is the first exhibition devoted to Irish painting to be held in North America.

#### A Mocking Bird

The Ensemble of Berkeley continues its 42nd season with "To Mocking Bird" by Christopher Sergel, based on Harper Lee's Pulitzer-winning novel and directed by John Dahlen. Performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. through Feb. 20, with a Feb. 18 performance also scheduled at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$9, \$12 for groups of 15 or more. Reservations: 528-5260.

#### Fox Duo

The community market is having a free live jazz music performance by the Mimi Fox Duo and "java" sampling on Friday, Feb. 12 at 7 p.m. in Berkeley at 1581 University Ave. Details: 549-1714.

#### Dance Theatre

The Bay Dance Center, 3501 Grand Ave., Oakland will hold auditions for its classes and youth companies on Saturday, Feb. 6. Audition times are 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. for children, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. for teens, 13-18. Details: 465-6678.

#### Shot with Benny Alba

Benny Alba teaches a hands-on workshop for artists who want to make professional slides of their work on Feb. 6 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Participants will learn to document their artistic progress, improve their photography skills, and get into juried exhibitions, make an impression on gallery owners. Participants are encouraged to bring their own work to photograph. The Berkeley Art Center is located at 1501 St. in Live Oak Park. 644-6893.

#### Hanson Group

The Hanson Group performs on Sunday, Feb. 7 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at The Jazzschool/LaNote, 2377 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.

The group, and woodwinds instrumentalist Hanson has appeared at venues as Ray Charles, Billy Higgins, Paul McCandles, Boz Scamozzi, and Don Cherry. Seating is limited; reservations are recommended. 845-5373.

#### Golden Voice of Africa

The performances hosts the return of "The Golden Voice of Africa" on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 8 p.m. in Zellerbach Hall. Keita rocks the stage with sizzling African-jazz-funk-rock-R&B style and powerful tenor voice. Tickets: \$14, \$20 and \$26.

#### Moochnek Gallery

The Moochnek Gallery, 1809 D Fourth St. Berkeley, is presenting an exhibit that runs from Feb. 5 to March 7. Featuring 18 Bay Area and internationally known artists from the Bay Area, the exhibit explores how language, text, and symbols are expressed in visual arts. 549-1018.

#### Musician John Santos teaches

Musician John Santos will teach "The Latin American Roots of Jazz" at the Jazzschool, 2375 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley on Sundays, Feb. 7 and 14 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. The classes concentrate on the roots of jazz in Cuba, Puerto Rico, New York and Brazil. Santos has taught at the Stanford Jazz Camp and the Jazz Camp of Rhythmic Concepts, Inc. Registration fee for each class: 845-5373.

#### Eden

The University YWCA Galleries, 2600 Bancroft Way, exhibits the work of Sebastopol artist Joseph Browning and mixed media artist Sara Felgenhauer Newman through Saturday, Feb. 20. An opening reception for the artists takes place on Saturday, Feb. 6 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays. 843-2624.

#### Art of Nancy Genn

Nancy Genn's paintings are featured in a select retrospective exhibition at the Mills College Art Museum, 5000 MacArthur Blvd. in Oakland. Genn has exhibited her art work in Asia, Europe and the US for the past 30 years. Her paintings have won numerous awards and grants and are in collections world-wide. She is the first artist to receive the prestigious Japan/United States Commission grant in the creative arts, enabling her to travel to live and to travel in Japan. The gallery is open through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays noon to 5 p.m. Details: 430-2164.

#### of California and Baja

The exhibit featuring the paintings of Betsy Lombard continues at Cafe 817, 817 Washington St. in Oakland. A reception will be Feb. 4, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. 839-0968.

#### at the Pub

On Friday from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. enjoy the steel blues guitar and the soulful harmonica of Dan Lange at McManus Cafe & Pub, 1309 Solano Ave. in Berkeley. The recently reopened spot now features live music and a "pub crawl" for sale. On Sunday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. the blues and folk guitar and vocals of Catherine Wilde, performing at 7 p.m. Details: 527-4475.

#### 1999

The College Initiative comes to the Mills College Art Museum, 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland on Feb. 11, 12 and 13 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. V-Day is a catalyst to end sexual violence against women and to proclaim Valentine's Day as the day to demand the end of abuse. The event will feature performances presented by the Mills College Theatre. The play "The Vagina Monologues" performed throughout the world, from Zagreb to Santa Monica, London to Seattle, from Jerusalem to Oklahoma City. Tickets: \$5 general, \$5 students and Seniors, free for those under 18 and accompanied by an adult. Details: 430-3308.



Essie Pinola Parrish (center) with her sister Julia Pinola Marruffo (left) and niece Merline Marruffo James (right) in front of the dance house at Stewart's Point Rancheria, Sonoma County, 1963.

## A glimpse at a lost way of life

By J.R. DEATON

**BERKELEY** — At the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology are 37 photographs of American Indian life from 1951 to 1984. The black and white images depict weathered peoples displaying the vestiges of their receding cultures.

Some wear feathers and beads — some wear blue-jeans and boots. Photographer and cinematographer William R. Heick traveled the American West and parts of Canada to capture these scenes. As part of the American Indian Films Project in the 1960s, he photographed some of the last practitioners of the old ways.

At first glance, many of the photographs may be a little disappointing. Somehow, they seem a little prosaic — not dramatic or exotic enough. Samuel A. Barrett, the noted anthropologist who headed the film project for the University of California, was more interested in documentary than art.

Some of the scenes were set up for the camera — the anthropologist sometimes tried to reconstruct life-styles and customs that

were no longer practiced. Some people are in ceremonial or native dress, others are not.

Some wear eye-glasses, plaid shirts, tennis shoes and wool caps. But Heick shot with a subtle lens and a detailed eye. If you spend time with the exhibit — perception and appreciation grow.

These are people doing the routine and the sacred activities of their lives. There is a picture of a Navajo girl during a puberty ceremony. Decorated in her silver and turquoise, the girl faces the lens straight on with a look of playfulness and expectation. An old Kwakiutl Indian stoops to rinse clam near the seashore. White Rider, (Mrs. John Eagle Ribs), is pictured making a reed mat backrest — her lined face and busy hands tell us about how she has lived her life.

Kwakiutl fisherman and artist Willie Seaweed stoically wears his special carved wooden headpiece depicting a killer whale and two ravens. Nancy White Horse, a Sioux Indian, makes chokecherry cakes at the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota.

One old man demonstrates how planks are steamed and

shaped to be part of a traditional wooden box. A group of Pomo Indians sit in a circle preparing acorn bread — comradeship and community evident on their faces and in the tilt of their bodies.

"Being able to photograph that stuff was unique," said the 82-year-old photographer Heick, who lives in Mill Valley in Marin. "The Indians are very chary about photography," he explained — they are cautious and wary "about photography of their sacred ceremonies."

As part of the university's film project, Heick said the object was to shoot movies, but added "I couldn't see any reason for not banging off a few stills along the way." As to whether these photographs are "documentary" or "artistic," Heick said "you can have both — at the same time."

One 1963 photograph is of three large barefoot women standing outside what could be an old miner's shack in the mountains. To the uninitiated they might look a little silly — perhaps as silly looking as old white men in gold-trimmed robes and miter hats. Essie Pinola Parrish, a Kashaya Pomo woman, was an

**Native American Portraits:** Photographs by William Heick, can be seen at the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology in Kroeber Hall through June (Bancroft Way and College Avenue.) Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday except on Thursdays when it's open until 9 p.m. from Sept. 10 to May. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens and 50 cents for those 17 and under. On Thursdays, admission is free to the public. Phone: 643-7648.

important person in her time and in her place.

In the photograph, she stands with her sister and her niece in front of the dance house. She and her two assistants stand beside poles topped with fabric stars

See GLIMPSE on page A12

## AHS troupe tries something completely different

By PHYLLIS LYON

**ALBANY** — The past two weekends, the tight bunch of drama mavens at Albany High followed up their brilliant production of "The Crucible" with something entirely different. This time the troupe of future actors, directors and scene-painters, also known as the Albany High Theater Ensemble, romped through Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me A Tenor" and packed packed-houses with laughs galore.

Not, as the title suggests, a musical, Tenor is a farce with more or less about music. The plot is replete with the mistaken identities and double entendres necessary to farce. The characters are zanies involved in producing a grand opera, Otello.

The scene is an elegant hotel room in that hilarious city, Cleveland, Ohio, and, speaking of elegance, the Ensemble's golden chandelier surpassed previously seen grandeur, and I've seen Naples.

Live and terrific music, played by The Band, added their own humor by underscoring the action with sinuous strains when the femme fatale batted her eyelashes and drum rolls hyping the jokes. (Joke: A bellboy comes into the hotel room, says, "Your suite." "So are you," the reply.) Band members, David and Peter Waugh, James Liao and Jeff Neilson, also kept up the spirit playing before the curtain went up and during intermission.

Directed by Jordan Mackay assisted by Kathryn Robinson, the troupe gets the meaning of En-

semble exactly right with a quick-on-theuptake togetherness, not to mention slapstick, pratfalls and schtick carried out with winning vigor, energy and aplomb.

And the Oscar goes to Ryan Takemiyama for his detailed performance, with charisma, as Max, who goes from the nervous "allpurpose dog's body" to confident opera star in his own right. One vote behind Takemiyama is tall Max Livingstone who played Saunders, the officious, bullying, Sol Hurok-style entrepreneur, with huge stage presence and a touch of Groucho Marx.

Daphna Klugman was Saunders' ingenue daughter, Maggie, who seeks and finds her ideal lover. Chris Carter played Tito Merelli, the erstwhile Pavarotti who has no a clue at all

about what's going on, and Ilana Carter, his frustrated, spit-fire wife.

Ella Samonsky (doubling as Tenor's producer) was nicely seductive as the over-sexed diva who drops her clothes at the drop of a hat, and Jennie Antonacci smelled something bad as the persnickiest member of the Cleveland Opera board of directors. Proving once again that there are no small parts only small actors, Patrick Glenn was a hoot as the star-struck bellhop.

In addition, 21 other theater-crazed Albany High students busted their buns constructing the sets, crewing the stage (managed by Alexis Kalman), sewing costumes, gathering props and

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## Attention, piano shoppers

A major public piano sale, in affiliation with Cal Performances takes place at UC Berkeley's Zellerbach Hall on Sunday, Feb. 7 from noon to 5 p.m.

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## Different

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lighting the lights (including Super Sound Man Waylon Bacon) to make Tenor the seamless and funny effort it turned out to be. And art teacher Ed Hill's painting of the kitchenette certainly didn't hurt.

In-your-face Ensemble members apparently still harbor some grudges against the School Board for their niggling nickel-and-dime when it comes to support of drama programs at the high school. On the upside, can it be that this underlying resentment puts extra we'll-show-you-guys grit into their productions. Can be. If they've been handed a lemon, they've made lemonade.

As for the Ensemble's unorthodox, un-high school choice of plays to perform, some there may be in Albany with psyches firmly planted in the good old days who aver that adolescents should stick to Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm lookalikes on their stage. Others may say there's too much hypocrisy around already and welcome the Ensemble's choice of plays with meat on the bones — "controversial," "adult," true, but hey, this is 1999, like it or not.

## A genuine talent, but a less-than-satisfying release

By ERIC TUROWSKI

Female singer-songwriters appear on the popscene as fast as strip malls these days, begging the question, "do we really need another one?" Along comes Marie Schumacher.

"Invisible to the Naked Eye" is a collection of eleven songs, nine of them penned by Schumacher, awash in the trendy wave of the "girl-with-guitar" presentation we hear so much of on the radio. These aren't bad tunes — in fact a few of them are great — but the stripped down delivery alleviates aspects that would make the songs special. Much of the CD comes off like a finely produced demo.

The point of being so hard on

Marie is that she had a genuine talent; a genius-level ear for arrangement and harmony, a strong voice (no breathless whispers or yodeling here), and a penchant for creating hum-along hooks.

Unfortunately, her skills are left by the wayside for most of the collection. Every song has creative background vocals, but since Schumacher sings most of them herself, they lack texture (those of us who remember the Carpenters will recognize the too-smooth sound of the self-backed singer). Far too much energy was put into the songs as songs, and not nearly enough into the overall musicality.

High points on the CD include the opening track, "Everyday is the Day," which is not only the

most musically complete song, but also expresses a feeling we've all had (or, perhaps, wish someone had about us); "Invisible Girl," also well arranged; "Dancin' in the Backyard" which evokes childhood memories; and the old standard "You Are My Sunshine," presented as an amazing a capella be-bop.

It is this stunning arrangement on the final track that will leave the listener wondering why Schumacher didn't employ this ability to all the aspects of the production. That kind of meticulous approach, breaking down and analyzing every part of the music — vocals, instrumental and otherwise — and refitting it all back together in the same way a capella singing fits together, would raise

Schumacher head and shoulders above the current crop of female singer-songwriters, certainly, and most likely above anyone else performing today.

Low points of the CD are "When First You Met Me," imagine a cross between "We Three Kings of Orient Are," "Green Sleeves," and (with the oboe part) the Moody Blues' "Knights in White Satin"; and "Filomena," a clunky character-study song, that, just when it starts to get a little fun, spoils itself.

All in all, there is a lot of toe-tapping, up-beat fun on "Invisible to the Naked Eye." The melodies will stick with you, the lyrics fall somewhere between Joni Mitchell's poetry and Jewel's senseless meandering (though

Marie Schumacher performs Sunday, Feb. 7 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Anna's Place, 1801 University Ave., Berkeley.

definitely part of the same and the vocals are very very easy on the ears.

However, "Invisible" all that it could be. If Schumacher applied all of her skills to the songs, if she took a little less seriously, and a little more seriously, might be a masterpiece, just a collection of nice

## Glimpse

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within hoops. Parrish is unsmiling and has her eyes closed. She wears a long full black dress with white stars over her bosom and a tall feather "big head" headdress.

The caption explains that Parrish was a Dreamer and prophet of the Bole Maru (Dream Dances) religion. "As a Dreamer, Essie Parrish also had the power to heal people," the caption explains.

The headdress she wears was specially made for the photograph — her consecrated ones could not be removed from the dance house. She holds cloth-covered "doctoring" staffs that are "endowed with protective power" and decorated with stars. The star hoops, remi-

niscient of the decals on old fighter airplanes, were first used during World War II to protect Pomo men serving in the armed forces and afterwards became a general protection against evil forces.

Parrish died in 1979 and at the Stewarts Point Rancheria in Sonoma County where she lived, there is currently no Dreamer in the community and the Bole Maru ceremony is no longer performed there. Late in her life, Parrish explained why she was so cooperative with the people who came to study and photograph her people.

"The Creator sent Dr. Barrett to us from the university so I could put away for safe-keeping the tradition of my people," Parrish said about the anthro-

pologist directing the film project. Of the old way, she said "many have rejected it and pay no heed to it anymore—They have gone the white man's way." She explained that in "pictures" and "books," the old traditions are now preserved.

And then, in words that reflect both tremendous loss and universal human spirit, yearning and optimism, Parrish reveals her dream: "Whenever my people turn again to their tradition, it will be there for them to see and hear about or even to start again."

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(U) Hurly Burly ..... 3:30 p.m.  
Hurly Burly ..... 6:00 p.m.  
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The Faculty ..... 9:00 p.m.  
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**SUNDAY, FEB. 7**

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Hurly Burly ..... 6:00 p.m.  
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The Faculty ..... 9:00 p.m.  
(U) Elizabeth ..... 9:45 p.m.

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# OPINION & EDITORIAL



## The Journal

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"...were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."  
— Thomas Jefferson, 1787



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### Letters to the Editor

Got water?

your article. You are the Hayward Fault is, and in fact is going to be under the street" on March 15 and April 15.

like yours that speak "survival" that people do to face, remind us, but anyone to prepare? feel overpowered, out and go into denial?

from Piedmont to the area that is the fault line, a right lateral move just enough to cause sewer laterals to break homes. The breaks

property. Does the "in"? Are there enough around? How long will it take to get them? Shouldn't

planners be coming to solutions to questions like "Will I toss my 'gray' where to put solid waste?"

people live in apartments where would write another argument different perspective.

approach it like this: no electricity, no running water. Sounds like a camp

to a camping store I'll bring from stove top coffee makers to portable toilets, and another family fix a

wood and you don't have to wait to prepare for it, but aren't some people without for longer? Do

what a break on the line can siphon out the from your toilet and hot tank? Why not call

theirs? Their five-gallon last up to 10 years. lives on Santa Barbara, which is the fault line.

the city do a group purges shut-off valves, portable generators (like the recycler made available for less

one fire station (Shasta the east side of the fault the enough? Or do the hill mount on a fire, because

take insurance is such a for your pets. Dogs need

on. If you have company may be stuck with you. Will your supplies let them rebuild the fault?

message to you is that fear is motivated about that as it is going to. I name is a better motivation.

one of our (block) neighborhoods, my neighbor, "I know where to go

er, since you stored so "That water is for the

They can't call Alhambra, for them. You can call for yourself."

ays to me, "but we are rarely we count more than

covered her, "Yes, you are can do as I have done. cannot."

not (some) people be aware that they have not taken care of themselves (their

home/kitchen (like that boiling pot of water on the stove.)

For comfort, not just "survival," go to a camping store.

S. Clayworth

### Time for ... another Plaza Haiku!

Editor:  
Okay, another Plaza Haiku:  
More Kathie Perkas! More constructive can-do-ers! Take our Plaza back!

Sincerely,  
Glenn Krell  
El Cerrito

P.S. There's no penalty for Plaza haikus that aren't 5-7-5, as happened last week. We all have plenty of time to get them right, since Plaza improvement, unfortunately, will take many, many more months. So...keep those plaza haikus comin'!

### Businesses that make the Avenue special

Editor:  
Toby Adelman's excellent and descriptive letter in your Jan. 21 edition spurred us to voice our appreciation for the many years of excellent personal consideration and professional service we have received from employees at Curt Gould Chevron on Solano Avenue in Berkeley.

All businesses should have employees such as Henry and C.J.! We also have benefitted from the advice and help of other current and past employees, including John Lighthall, who recently left his managerial job there. They have provided help and assistance on days, nights and weekends. They also have given good references for other auto-related businesses when they cannot handle a particular job at the station.

We patronize many businesses on Solano Avenue, including restaurants and stores. The menus and the products are only part of the draw. Often we have to deal with the lack of on- and off-street parking to enjoy the attentive services of such people as Nile and his staff at Safeway, Barbie and Bob and their staff at Magic Garlic, and Sherry, Bob and Mike and the rest of the staff at Walker's Pie Shop.

In this changing world. It's wonderful to have the unchanging customer courtesy values of these Solano Avenue businesses!

Ralph and Karen  
Holzmeier  
Albany

### Allow more public input on superintendent

The following is a copy of a letter to the consultant hired to recruit candidates for Albany schools superintendent:

Dear Mr. Abbott:

I attended a meeting that was held to solicit community input as to the desirable characteristics of a new superintendent of schools for Albany. At that meeting, you indicated that there would be no further community involvement in the hiring process. I urge you to reconsider this position.

I'm sure you'll agree that an effective superintendent must be able to interact effectively, not only with the members of the School Board, but with parents, teachers and students. I'm sure you'll also agree that these three groups - parents, teachers and students - have a perspective that

is different from each other and from the members of the School Board.

It would seem, then, that involving a group comprised of parents, teachers and students in the hiring process would be the most efficacious way of securing a candidate who is not only energetic, enthusiastic and innovative, but is also effective at communicating with the diverse groups that share a concern for Albany's educational system.

As the reason for not involving members of the community in the hiring process, you cited the importance of the applicants' confidentiality.

I urge you to reconsider this position in light of the Attorney General's Opinion that a duly appointed committee of community members, school district employees and students is endowed with the same duties and obligations as the legislative body, i.e., the School Board, under whose authority it is formed and, therefore, would be bound by the same rules regarding confidentiality.

This opinion was recently endorsed by the First District Court of Appeal in *Gillespie v. San Francisco Pub. Libr. Com.* (1998) 67 Cal.App.4th 1165. Thus, there is no legal impediment to community and staff involvement in the hiring process.

As you are aware, there are many involved parents in Albany, and all of the parents to whom I have spoken share my concern that there be some mechanism for community involvement in the selection process, i.e., in interviewing the finalists. I can provide you with names or submit a petition to that effect, if you wish.

While I fully appreciate the importance of confidentiality, the overriding concern should be to hire a superintendent who meets the requirements of all interested constituencies. The involvement of these constituencies is, therefore, essential to a successful hiring.

Lillian Mayers  
Albany

### Finding the lost Mariners

Editor:  
Ahoy Mariners!

Are you aware of the new law that provides veterans' recognition to those who sailed in the U.S. Merchant Marine and Army or Navy Transport Services between August 16, 1945 and December 31, 1946. Mariners who served before August 15, 1945 received veteran status in 1988 after suing the Secretary of the Air Force.

For information regarding World War II veteran status applications (Dec. 7, 1941 to Dec. 31, 1946) go to <http://www.USMM.org> (e-mail: [usmm@tdl.com](mailto:usmm@tdl.com)) or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to U.S. Maritime Service Veterans, P.O. Box 2361, Berkeley, CA 94702-0361.

Many public libraries offer Internet access. Survivors of Mariners may apply for veteran status on their behalf.

We also want to contact the over quarter million men who were ship's company or trainees in the U.S. Maritime Service during World War II, and mariners who served during the Korean, Vietnam, and Gulf Wars in order to seek veteran status for their service.

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### Viewpoint

## Latest Plaza design presents constructive opportunity

By Peter Loubal

The council's decision to let the owners call the shots (more or less) makes it easier to engage them in some constructive design ideas.

George Ray had some valid concerns about the coupled parking and department store structures on both sides of Fairmount Avenue. These can be resolved, without delaying the project, by switching the concept as follows:

Gottschalks to be built on a rectangular one-acre BART site fronting the north side of Fairmount and reaching close to the station. The parking structure to be built on an inverted and wide L-shaped one-acre site around the R & R car shop, with the shorter side along the south Fairmount frontage, and the long side behind the R & R rectangle, up to the BART track. Both structures to be connected by a pedestrian causeway across Fairmount Avenue, which could be part of Gottschalks' upper floor, and whose roof would form part of the parking structure.

This bridge could have additional support along the median strip. The advantages of this concept to the various parties are:

1. BART gets full replacement parking for the acre it gives up, plus additional parking for about 160 cars, all at roof level. A short pedestrian bridge could connect the Gottschalks roof to the station platforms. Morning commuters would stay practically on the same level, returning commuters could cross to the roof without having to go completely down to street level. (For funding of extra

construction costs, see below.)

In addition, BART would benefit from new shopping patronage, and also from proving that they are truly neighborhood-friendly and supportive of pedestrian-oriented goals.

2. The Plaza owners would not really be giving up an acre of land. The ground level of the parking structure, except for housing the ramps for the upper parking levels, would mainly serve the adjacent Super Lucky store. A good design could assure that all the parking on the "donated" acre is replaced.

3. The two middle levels of the parking structure would provide about 250 parking spaces for Gottschalks shoppers, with easy "at level" access to the larger second floor of the store. This would meet its low-to-average day parking needs. To satisfy the demands for parking space during periods of greater department store shopping (sales, Christmas), the store would introduce no-cost attendant parking, as suggested by Gina and Brit. This would more than double the number of cars that could be parked on the two middle parking structure levels. The extra sales should offset the added costs.

4. To finance this proposal, we would use the \$6 million we have in Measure C funds (which are otherwise in dire danger of going to waste), plus the bonding capability of the \$250,000 to \$300,000 (maybe more) per year in extra sales and incremental taxes generated by Gottschalks.

With a redevelopment agency moratorium, all the money could be used to help fund the project

rather than agency/city staff. There would be added city income from a potentially more successful Plaza, and give El Cerrito shoppers what they want.

The main beneficiary of incremental agency financing would be Gottschalks. The council could waive the prevailing wage rules in this instance. It should not be hard to convince the Central Labor Coalition that it is in its interest to cater to the popular will, especially since a better Plaza will generate funds needed for future city projects, not excluded from prevailing wage guidelines.

5. The Design Review Board and "Sustainable El Cerrito" would be asked to offer helpful suggestions for the design of the bulk of the Plaza property, but otherwise not stand in the way of letting the owners do what they want. We do need them to get involved in producing a good design in the challenging connected department store/parking/BART station structures.

It would be interesting to be able to contrast, side-by-side, the results of a project that is essentially market-driven versus a project that caters to new-urbanist ideals. Gottschalks should not object, if any extra costs are covered by the subsidy. The average citizen can be counted on to protest if the architects go overboard in spending our taxes.

Everyone, and especially we the residents and the Plaza merchants, can come out ahead, with no more delays.

Peter Loubal is a Del Norte area resident and an avid El Cerrito City Council watcher.

## No grounds for removing President Clinton from office

By Norman La Force

I have read with interest the letters to the editor that call for President Clinton's impeachment and removal from office. I cannot agree. There are no grounds for impeaching or removing Clinton from office.

First, it is not clear to me that he has perjured himself. The House Republicans claim he committed perjury because his testimony is contradicted by Monica Lewinsky's. He denied having sexual relations with Lewinsky when she testified to Starr that they did. But in the tapes that Lewinsky's "friend" Linda Tripp made, Tripp at one point tries to get Lewinsky to admit to having had sex with the President, and the Lewinsky bursts out on her own with "But I didn't have sex with him." So which Lewinsky version should we believe: her spontaneous statement to Tripp, or her testimony given to a prosecutor under threat of years of imprisonment unless she tells him what he wants to hear?

Second, the House Republicans charge that Clinton obstructed justice in Paula Jones' prosecution of her case against Clinton by lying about his affair with Lewinsky. But this charge assumes that the Lewinsky deposition

and testimony was relevant to the Paula Jones case. In fact, the judge in the Jones' case specifically ruled that any relationship the President had with Lewinsky, even assuming there was one, was irrelevant to the Jones' lawsuit and could not be introduced as evidence. How then can there be obstruction of justice over testimony that is irrelevant and not admissible?

Third, the House Republicans draw a comparison between the impeachment of a few federal judges for perjury and Clinton's alleged perjury. But this mixes apples and oranges. We have over 1,000 federal judges who are appointed and hold office for "good behavior" under the Constitution. Clinton is only one of two constitutional officers of the Executive Branch (the other is the vice president). He was elected by the people not appointed. Moreover, the authors of the Constitution specifically discussed whether the "good behavior" standard should apply to the president and rejected it. They made it clear that a presidential impeachment had to be for conduct that not only was wrong or illegal, but which also threatened the constitutional form of government. Clinton's conduct comes no where near that. Indeed, there is no rumor

that Clinton is trying to conduct a military coup to stay in power as Nixon thought of doing during Watergate.

Finally, House Republicans charge that he has lied to the American people. If that is the basis for impeachment, then probably every President should be impeached for lying to us at some time. Strangely, I do not hear calls from the Republicans that the Eisenhower should have been impeached for lying to the American people and the Soviets about the U-2 flights over Russia.

I am most bemused by Henry Hyde, having grown up in Illinois close to his district. During Watergate he was one of the staunchest defenders of Nixon. Even at the end, Hyde told Nixon he should not resign. He also argued that not all of Nixon's lies were even wrong. He stated that some lies were "gray lies" and were proper lies for a President to make to protect himself.

Impeachment is a political matter. The Republican leadership under the control of a far right political apparatus is engaging in "pay back" for Nixon, Bork, Thomas, Reagan, and more. It's not right, but it is politics.

Norman La Force is a member of the El Cerrito City Council.



**Don't drive with dimes in Berkeley:** This is the moment that has been awaited with anticipation by Berkeley motorists and with trepidation by Berkeley parking authorities.

Yes, Ellie Lammer has completed her science project for this year's Martin Luther King Jr. High Science Fair. Last year's project was a scientific study of the city's parking meters that proved they were wrong a whopping 94 percent of the time. And three things happened in quick succession:

1. A state law was passed — aka "The Ellie Lammer Law" — making it mandatory for meters to be accurate.

2. Most of the meters in Berkeley were decapitated by vandals, and the city replaced them with new, super-tough, hi-tech meters. And unlike the old meters, which only accepted nickels and quarters, the new ones also accept dimes.

3. Ellie became famous, being interviewed by everyone from David Letterman to yours truly.

So lots of people have been eagerly waiting (albeit with different motives) for her to check out the new meters and let us know if they're any better than the old. She stuck nickels in 50 different meters and, carefully monitoring them with stopwatches, recorded the times down to the second. And here are the results:

"The new meters are much more accurate," she reports. "They give you your full time, plus six to eight seconds extra, 98 percent of the time."

That's the good news. But there's bad news, too.

"After I finished my project, someone complained that they had been at a meter and put in a dime and no time came up," says Ellie. "That struck me as a new problem that had to be researched. So, armed with 50 dimes and 50 quarters, I hit the streets."

"I walked down five different blocks and just dropped dimes and quarters into the meters and watched to see if the coins registered. Out of all the dimes, 14 percent didn't register or give you any time. Which means that 7 out of the 50 meters didn't register dimes. On the other hand, all but one of the quarters registered."

The reason, according to Ellie, is that all-too-familiar modern villain: the computer glitch.

"The meters have little battery-run computers that use a combination of magnets, weight and size to determine if the coin is a nickel, dime, quarter, or rubbish," she says. "Dimes are much lighter than nickels and quarters. If a coin isn't heavy enough, the meter doesn't recognize it as a coin and gives no time."

And that's the end of the story. Or is it?

"At the moment, these meters are new and accurate," says Ellie. "They have not been abused by angry parkers or spent days in the frying hot sun or cold fog. Will the rain, or just aging, affect their accuracy? Their batteries only last about nine months. What happens when they weaken and die?"

Hmmm. I think we can guess what she's going to do for next year's science project.

Meanwhile, as Fiorella La Guardia used to say, "When I make a mistake, it's a beauty!"

I refer, of course, to last week's column about Ludwig, the dog whom Ludwig's Fountain on the UC-Berkeley campus is named

## SNAPPHOTS

By Martin Snapp



after. How could I have been so dumb as to call him a Golden Retriever?

The next day there were no less than 30 messages on my answering machine, all informing me that Ludwig was a German Shorthaired Pointer. Interestingly, most of them were from Montclair and El Cerrito Journal readers, which shows how far throughout the East Bay the sons and daughters of Cal have fanned.

But the best part is that I got a chance to talk with Ludwig's owner, John Littleford. He lives in Alameda now, but back in the early '60s he lived in Berkeley on Milvia Street.

"Every morning, I'd go off to my job in Alameda, my wife would go off to her job at Cutter Labs, and Ludwig would go off to his job, which was playing in the fountain on campus," says Littleford. "On the way, he'd stop by Berkeley Sports on Bancroft, and the owner would give him a new tennis ball to play with in the fountain. Then he'd continue on his way. People who saw him told me he always stopped at every stop light and never crossed unless it was green."

And around 5 p.m. he'd saunter home again. "On the occasional times when we got home and Ludwig wasn't back yet," says Littleford, "I'd call the front desk at the Student Union and ask, 'Is Ludwig there?' And they'd usually say, 'Yes, he's curled up asleep in front of the fireplace.' And I'd say, 'Well, wake him up and send

him home."

Ludwig was such a campus institution, the authorities made it a point of introducing him to VIP visitors, including Great Britain's Prince Philip, who took great delight in tossing Ludwig's tennis ball to him.

But in 1965 Littleford moved to Alameda, and Ludwig went with him. By then he was so famous, the Bank of Alameda constructed a fountain especially for him to play in. But according to Littleford, it just wasn't the same. "It was too shallow for his liking," he says. "The water only came up to his ankles."

Ludwig died in 1968, at the ripe old age of 18, and Littleford still misses him. ("Best dog I ever had," he says.) Ludwig also lives on in the memories of the students and employees at Cal, one of whom told me, "I close my eyes, and I can see him playing in that fountain as if it were yesterday."

Finally, as long as I'm eating crow, let me take one more heaping serving by apologizing to El Cerrito City Manager Gary Pokorny for calling him Gene, thus violating the cardinal rule of journalism: "It doesn't matter what else you say if you get the name wrong."

Sorry, Gary. Feel free to call me Milton (or Morton or Merton) any time you want.

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## Lee

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And now you have some Republicans that are trying to destroy that agenda.

The entire process has been unfair — totally unjust. No one is condoning the President's behavior. He was wrong and what he did was unacceptable. But it doesn't warrant impeachment or removing him from office. This is not Watergate. What he did does not constitute treason or other high crimes against the state.

The fact that the people elected the President twice and that they firmly oppose the proceedings that are taking place — the Republicans are totally ignoring the will of the people. I mean what does that say to you?

This entire process is being coordinated by the right wing — the so-called Christian right-wing "moral majority." They are pulling the strings. The president has a pro-choice agenda. Well, who is Henry Hyde? Remember the Hyde Amendment? He is as anti-choice and anti-woman as you can get. Look at Bob Barr. Look at the Klan activity on the far right. When you look at the connections that the Republican members of the judiciary committee have with right wing groups then you begin to see that this is an attempt at a coup.

It is serious. I see it every day

in Washington, D.C. It's kind of hard here in the Bay Area to really come to grips with that. But when you see the right wing coordinating actions with House members in such an aggressive way, then you really see what this is truly about.

I certainly don't agree with the President on every issue, believe me. I'm probably one of his biggest critics. I didn't agree with him on welfare reform, on Iraq, on three strikes — I think he was late coming to the table on affirmative action. I voted against the budget, I don't support his military buildup ... He has not been the most progressive president. So for me to say that this is wrong — you know there's got to be something.

A coup d'état manifests itself in a variety of fashions. So I say to people it's a very dangerous time. Our Constitution and our form of democracy is really in jeopardy. If you look at the signs and you really study it (the impeachment and Senate trial), and if you evaluate what has taken place, I think many people will walk to that point — I mean when you say coup, that's something we associate with other countries, not something that can happen in America. This is a very dangerous moment in our history.

You were one of only five Congressmembers that voted against a resolution that es-

## Tax

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Sporting Goods, Discount Mart's Tackle and Sporting Goods and one private licensed individual sell firearms or ammunition in the city.

Old West is by far the biggest dealer with an estimated \$155,000 to \$300,000 in gross receipts, according to the staff report.

Firearms and ammunition taxed at an extra 3 percent would bring in an estimated \$5,370 to \$9,720 in tax revenues a year from the four businesses.

Speaking later, Robert Weaver, the owner of the Old West Gun Room, said his average annual net sales on guns and ammo is about \$128,000 and 3 percent of that would be \$3,840.

To be placed on the ballot, four of the five councilmembers have to vote for the tax.

To become city law, a majority of El Cerritos have to approve it at the ballot box.

A report by City Attorney Howard Stern notes that other cities including San Francisco, San Leandro, Berkeley and Oakland have passed similar measures.

The San Francisco law withstood a court challenge and the San Leandro law is presently being litigated.

City Clerk Linda Giddings, when asked at the meeting, said

the cost of putting the measure on the November ballot would be approximately \$300.

Weaver urged the council to reject the extra tax, saying there has been a "chilling effect" on businesses in cities that have passed such measures.

He said that the 3 percent tax, after costs, won't make enough to fund the proponents' plans for gun safety and youth programs.

And, Weaver added, "if you make the tax higher — you'll get no revenue at all — you'll just simply drive me out of business." Weaver said that society "is very expensive" and asked: "But how can we assign the cost to each thing?" He wondered "how much are we going to have Lions charged" for the misuse of medications or El Cerrito Honda taxed for damage caused by misuse of automobiles by speeders and drunk drivers.

Other speakers from the public urged more study or a no vote on the proposal.

Peter Loubal said he favors gun control, but said the issue here is not one of gun control but one of keeping "a good business in town." El Cerrito Gun Buffery objected to the proposal on philosophical grounds.

Buffon said gun owners and dealers are the victims of "moral entrepreneurs" who "use the brute force of government to impose their

moral beliefs on the rest of the population." Thom Stark has "great skepticism" about proposed tax and wonders the cost of the ballot measure implementation of the tax be.

Stark said he has no affection" for firearms, but the council to "be practical, find out more about the totality of the proposal."

Councilman Norman Lusk, who brought the issue before council and supports the tax, "we have seen over the years, tremendous costs to people's communities by the use of guns."

La Force noted that to be car, one has to be licensed, tested, and said he was "tounded" that when he bought gun no such measures were required. "I don't even have to get it with the police," he said, added that he did indeed regret his gun "because I feel so safe about the idea of gun control."

La Force called the proposal a "legitimate and reasonable approach" to do something about gun violence in local communities.

"I'm sure the Old West shop could find a way to do business — if it doesn't, I'm — that's the cost of doing business in El Cerrito," he said.

## Parks

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few available resources for the homeless. Ritzma also said the summer months were not the best time to evict residents of the bulb since shelters generally close then.

Mayor Peggy Thompson said her main concern with the bulb "is the safety issue."

City Administrator Daren Fields questioned whether the bulb is a safe place for anyone to

visit, pointing to hazards presented by protrusions of rebar that one speaker earlier said reminded him of "bundy sticks" he encountered during the Vietnam War.

Fields also pointed to pieces of broken concrete and "dangerous holes" often located just off the trail as reasons for closing the bulb to all foot traffic.

Ritzma sought "direction" from the council about developing local ordinances regarding the use of the bulb, including restrictions on overnight camping and campfires, and about the potential need to post signs, or to erect fences and possibly even walls around the landfill.

After a long question-and-answer period, the council asked staff to investigate such matters, as well as the costs and impact of such decisions, and to report their findings to the council as soon as possible.

Fields and Ritzma were also asked to work closely with representatives of the EBRPD in public sessions, and to closely consult with waterfront groups, service providers, citizens and residents of the bulb while developing policy and land-use suggestions.

### Memorial Park plan

During the regular session of the council, members voted 3 to 1 to accept the Memorial Park Improvement Plan, including long and short term recommendations. Councilman Robert Good opposed the plan.

The primary feature of the short-term plan would relocate what is currently the school-age play area beside the tiny-tot playground located on the eastern side of the park.

Members of the Memorial Park Improvement Plan Sub Committee suggested such a move would make supervision of both school-aged children and toddlers easier for parents and child care providers that have children of different ages to watch. The area beside the high school now used by school-aged kids would be converted into

open space under the plan.

Councilmembers Ed McMan and Robert Good politely over trees versus open grass. Good embraced the idea of more trees while McMan advocated more open grassland where children could "frolic and sunbathe."

As the debate spun back and forth, volunteer members of a subcommittee suggested that requests would be considered. There were no children at the meeting when Albany resident Ray Anderson asked the city to consider the possibility of the sidwinder slide at the New, judging by his response, it would be replaced by a good thing. Committee members said the popular slide "on its last legs," but promised to be replaced by one of the same design.

Other tentative plans including long-range park renovations include the possibility of including the existing baseball field on the northeast corner of the further west in order to open a large strip of grass beside C Street.

Committee members were praised for their efforts — also recommended at some point in the future, funds are available, the Memorial Building itself should be renovated.

### Other council news

Members voted 3-1 (Mayor opposed) to grant an appeal by Albany resident who opposed decision of the Planning Commission regarding a conditional permit for a converted garage on Talbot Street. The appeal was by a neighbor of a new home who purchased property that included a garage illegally converted to living space in the '70s.

Though the Planning Commission unanimously approved owner's request to "legalize" that has been in use for 20 years, the council ruled that zoning ordinances and, in sequence, a kitchen located in the unit must be removed.

Planning and Development Department

### PUBLIC WORKSHOP NOTICE NO. 3



## BERKELEY MARINA PLAN

Saturday February 6, 1999

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Berkeley Yacht Club

One Seawall Drive - Berkeley Marina

The Berkeley Waterfront Commission invites you to the third in a series of public workshops to discuss the Berkeley Marina Plan. This workshop will focus on three preliminary design concepts for the Marina and conceptual use recommendations for the Berkeley Waterfront. Development of the preliminary design concepts is based on existing conditions data, public input from the two earlier public workshops and future Marina facilities requirements. On the basis of public comment received at this workshop, the preliminary design concepts will be refined and then presented to the Waterfront and Planning Commissions and City Council for their consideration prior to initiating the CEQA review process on the preferred design concept.

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## Gauchos on Target in Minnesota matchup

By Peter Mentor

Teams use a bye week to schedule to rest. High boys basketball team time off and went to Minnesota to play at the Target Center.

Gauchos had a chance to win the game against Mounds View in Minneapolis during the tournament put on by the Minnesota Timberwolves on Saturday night.

El Cerrito was scheduled to play the game, but the coach Chris Huber figured it would be better to play the game. So Huber set up a game against local powerhouse De La Salle High of San Francisco the night before.

The Gauchos emerged from the game North with a split. El Cerrito and De La Salle had a close game until the third quarter, when the Gauchos went to the line and hit everything. The game finished with 16-of-17 from the line, with the bound star Andrew Harris hitting all six of his free throws in the fourth quarter for 31 points.

El Cerrito finished with 14 points, but it was Gauchos forward Aaron Harris coming out as the star of that game with 23 points.

Harris had two great games in the trip. At the Target Center for a team-high 23 points in the Mounds View, giving the Gauchos a 2-0 record in two days. "Jerry Harris played extremely well," said Huber of his starting guard. "He was actually the guy who stepped up for us."

Unfortunately for El Cerrito, the team did not pull out a victory the second night, as Mounds View won the game 67-54. The Gauchos (17-3, 2-0) only their third loss in the season.

The premier matchup for the Gauchos was Gooden against Mounds View. Gooden, who is heading off to Division 1 college basketball, had a 6-foot-9 frame and was shooting 50 percent from the field. He had 32 points to lead his team to victory, while Gooden had 31 points in the loss. The Gauchos may see day look at this meeting as foreboding of things to come.

"They matched up," said Huber. "Harath was shooting 50 percent from the field. It was a good game. He saw the defense he had to improve on."

There was a chance for El Cerrito to win what kind of competition they face come playoff time. The Gauchos were set to play at Mounds View on Wednesday night in Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League game, then they go to Mounds View's High (7 p.m.) for one of the toughest matchups.

"I can say about St. Joseph's, they beat St. Joseph's this year," said Huber. "It was a young team. They were down emotionally. They both teams (Salesian and St. Mary's) at their sites are going to be hard."

Huber said the trip to Minnesota can only help his team. Although the Gauchos had a loss, it was a good experience to see where the team stands at this point.

"It was a good competition," said Huber. "Some of the best we've seen in the De La Salle (Contra Costa) tournament. That's the kind of competition we'll see when we get to the playoffs, and we never know what's going to happen in league."

One good thing about league play is the strength of the teams. There are not that many high school basketball teams left in the league.

Huber said there were 6,000 fans in attendance for the opening game and about 1,000 for the conclusion of the season.

El Cerrito-Mounds View games, too.



St. Mary's Stephon McGrew fights for control against El Cerrito's Diego Latorre in the team's 0-0 draw last week.

## Gauchos tie top-ranked Panthers

### El Cerrito boys soccer on the rise, St. Mary's slips some

By MIKE MCGREEHAN

After scoring just one goal in its previous three matches, El Cerrito High School's boys soccer team seemed to come to life against Alameda High last Friday.

Specifically, Marcos Sanchez and Gustavo Cruz brought the Gauchos to life in a 2-0 Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League win. Sanchez scored both goals, one in each half, and Cruz assisted on each to lead the Gauchos.

"It really proved to be game that we needed," said Gauchos

coach Fred Gonzalez. "We were really down on ourselves for not scoring. We felt there was a force field in front of the goal."

El Cerrito (5-4-2 ACCAL, 7-6-2 overall) still has a chance to reach its league playoffs. But the Gauchos also have only one ACCAL match left (against Encinal on Feb. 12), so their fortunes will also depend heavily on how well other teams in the league fare.

To keep from getting rusty in the interim, El Cerrito scheduled a nonleague match against Pinole Valley on Wednesday,

then will play its alumni game today. "It would have been hard for us to take a whole week off," said Gonzalez.

Despite its offensive struggles, other aspects of the Gauchos' play have thrived. Especially, their defensive play. El Cerrito displayed some of that fine defense last Wednesday when it played St. Mary's to a 0-0 draw.

EC goalie Daniel Benton and his Gauchos teammates pulled off a distinctive feat in that match, as they combined to shut out St. Mary's for the first time

this season. And though the game was scoreless, both teams had their chances.

"It was a close game," said Gonzalez. "They had seven shots on goal and we had six. The teams went back and forth, and either team could have won. We felt really good about our defense."

Ah, the defense again. El Cerrito has a strong group of players clogging up the middle of the field. And for the past two weeks, they've been especially effective.

See GAUCHOS on B2

## Cougars finally coming together

By BILL KRUSSINK

ALAMEDA - Maybe it's knowing their finals are behind them, or maybe it's just that the team's chemistry is improving. Whatever, the Albany High girls are at long last beginning to play some hard basketball.

Playing at their home-away-from home at Alameda Point, the Cougars gave the St. Joseph-Notre Dame Pilots all they could handle before falling 58-54.

A four-point game throughout the fourth period, the Cougars (1-6, 1-14) pulled within two at 56-54 with 1:03 to go.

The Cougars had the ball with just 26 seconds on the clock and a chance to tie, but a traveling call turned the ball over and, to their credit, the Pilots (5-2, 7-13) were able to hold on for the win.

Still, combined with the club's first win of the season over Kennedy last week, this close loss to a team that's traveled to North Coast the past two years is a sign the team is coming around.

"That's exactly what's happening," Cougars coach Richard Thompson said. "The team is finally coming together. I told them that before the game."

The Cougars led 9-6 in the early going, but fell behind in the second quarter 20-9 when the Pilots ran off 14 unanswered points.

Albany's Kimi Yamamoto checked the Pilots' run when she canned a 3-pointer from the right wing. Fifty seconds later, Yamamoto struck again for another 3-pointer and the Cougars were on their way to a 12-4 run that pulled them to within 24-21 at the half.

Hitting the boards hard, going back-door to Tiffany Jessie and getting a stream of jump shots from Kimbra Baker (18 points), the Cougars kept the pressure on. They overtook the Pilots 27-26 on a basket and a free throw by Jessie a little over a minute into the second half.

See TOGETHER on B2

## Berkeley soccer hangs tough

By MIKE MCGREEHAN

Keep on shooting and eventually it will go in. Monte Vista exemplified the adage when its girls soccer team visited Berkeley High School for an East Bay Athletic League match on Friday.

Monte Vista kept pressuring Berkeley's goal. And the Mustangs kept shooting and shooting. Sure enough, one of those shots found its way in the to give Monte Vista a hard-earned 1-0 win.

After many scoring attempts, persistence finally paid off for the Mustangs when Lindsay Park scored the game-winner in the 62nd minute.

Monte Vista (7-1-2 EBAL, 9-2-4 overall), which finished the match with a 22-2 shots advantage, dominated play and was rarely threatened by the Yellowjackets (0-9-2 EBAL). Berkeley players often found themselves challenged with the speed of Monte Vista's attack.

"They're definitely a quick team," Berkeley coach Suzanne Sillett said of Monte Vista. "They have, not so much great physical speed, but great technical speed."

Berkeley High also has a pitch with artificial turf, which lends itself to faster-paced games, too.

Monte Vista, which remained in a three-way tie for the EBAL lead with Amador Valley and San Ramon Valley, also played more assertively. And the Mustangs asserted themselves right from the start by going into their attacking mode.

Monte Vista often appeared out of sync, but also credit Berkeley's fine defensive play.

Berkeley goalie Josefine Sundin was especially poised for the Yellowjackets. Sundin finished with 13 saves.

Monte Vista attackers often rushed into an effort to beat Sundin. When Mustang players managed get some foot behind the ball, Sundin was always in the right position to make the save.

"Our goalkeeper is outstanding," said Sillett. "She definitely keeps us in games like this."

Berkeley made its most serious run at the Mustangs midway through the first half. Its only shot at goal in the half came with nearly 23 minutes gone. Abby Enscoe blasted a free kick from 35 yards out that Ceci Clark tried to head in the net. Instead, Clark's header went high and Monte Vista keeper Jaclyn Harwood snagged it out of the air for her only save of the evening.

Sundin's most spectacular save of the half came with



Joanna Jhanda

Berkeley coach Suzanne Sillett was a Northgate High player and coach before taking over the Jackets.

nearly 29 minutes gone. Monte Vista forward Megan Eidman had broken free of Berkeley's defense and made a run on goal just outside the right post. Eid-

man blasted a shot from close range, but Sundin managed to deflect it. Enscoe, the sweeper, also came up big on the play by

See TOUGH on B2

## Sillett trying to revive Berkeley girls soccer

By MIKE MCGREEHAN

Through Friday, Berkeley High School's girls soccer team was winless in East Bay Athletic League play. Though the Yellowjackets won't make the playoffs this season, the promise of better times lies ahead.

Despite their struggles, the Jackets have a positive attitude. And a good part of that stems from first-year coach Suzanne Sillett.

Sillett, a former all-league player at Northgate High-Walnut Creek, returned to Northgate to coach the Broncos' girls varsity team the past three seasons.

"I had nothing but positive experiences at Northgate," says Sillett, who graduated from the school in 1990. "Personally, I needed a change as far as where I was coaching. I heard that Berkeley needed a coach through a colleague. Berkeley is a great school and the student-athletes are super. I'm happy to be here."

Another plus for Sillett is that she now lives in this area, which drastically cuts down her commute. Nonetheless, it's the challenge of putting together a quality soccer program that most inspires Sillett. Berkeley High has the potential to be such a program.

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# Missed penalty kick gives Albany a tie

By SCOTT STRAIN

Albany High School has one of the best boys soccer programs in the Alameda-Contra Costa Athletic League, but even the best get frustrated at times.

The Cougars (5-1-3) are perhaps the class of the league, but they were tied 0-0 at Piedmont on Friday.

They really only had themselves to blame, missing a penalty kick approximately 37 minutes into the first half. Other than that, they only got a couple of shots at David Penrod, the Highlanders goalkeeper.

Indeed, the Cougars hardly ever ventured into the Piedmont side of the field and had to repulse Highlander offensive thrusts in the last 10 minutes of both halves. In some ways, Albany was lucky to get away with a draw.

"It was a good match for us,"

Albany coach Don McGuire said. "It would have been better if we had some more favorable calls from the refs. I don't think they had control of the game. I thought the (Piedmont) goalkeeper should have gotten a red card (on the penalty kick) and been pulled out of the game."

Penrod came out and tackled Garrett Pock just inside the penalty box as the first half drew to a close. The referee responded by awarding Albany a penalty, but showed no card.

Tension mounted as Pock placed the ball on the penalty spot while Penrod set himself on the goal line. Normally, penalties are a sure thing, but Pock skidded his shot just wide to the left of the goal mouth. Penrod didn't even touch the ball.

"He (Pock) is a forward and a finisher," McGuire said, "but

it didn't happen."

It was the best chance Albany had to score in the match, although Penrod made another fine save in the first half. He wasn't challenged in the second.

McGuire says that his team has improved over the season. The ACCAL is a good league for boys soccer and suffering just one league loss is an accomplishment. It is the three ties that drag the Cougars down.

"We only have four seniors on the team but we are getting some good leadership," said McGuire, citing the play of Adam Phillips, Alan Bernielis, Christian Banda and John Olsen as being the keys to the Cougars' success.

Albany was also at a disadvantage in the second half because one of its players was given a red card with 10 minutes left in match.

always there to keep things in check.

Despite her team's struggles, Sillett was pleased that the Jackets at least tried to attack. "We don't get down to the final third (of the field) as well as other teams do," she said.

At the other end, Clark, Liz O'Hare, Kristi Komendant and Adrienne Cohn combined with Enscoe and Sundin for many fine defensive plays for Berkeley.

a scoreless tie. But a defense can take only so much pounding before it collapses. And soon the inevitable happened, as Amy Stanley took a corner kick from the left that Sara Gilman headed on to Park for the score.

Berkeley, however, did come close to equalizing 10 minutes later on its only second-half shot. Senior co-captain Julie Beagle sizzled a free kick just about a foot over the crossbar that drew some "oohs" and "aahs" from those in attendance.

In addition to its pair of shots at goal, Berkeley tried to initiate other attacks as well. Clara Funk had a couple of impressive dribbles into Monte Vista territory, but Mustang defenders held fast each time. Mia Arakaki also tried to spring one of the forwards with long balls from midfield — but Monte Vista's sweeper was

## Gauchos

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Brad Moschetti has done outstanding work at sweeper, while Kevin Mello has been a force at stopper. Midfielders Luis Garcia, Matthew Kucera, Daniel Julca and Gabe Gray have supported the Gauchos' defensive efforts very well. In addition, Gray has been a consistent offensive threat with his fine throw-ins.

"El Cerritos' a tough team," said St. Mary's coach Teale Matteson. "We never really got to test their defense and keeper. But the boys played really, really hard. To be held scoreless is tough, especially when your one of the top scoring teams in the league."

On Friday, Salesian upset the Panthers 1-0, thus handing St. Mary's its first loss of the

season. "Up until our loss against Salesian, we were the only undefeated team in the league," said Matteson. "I thought we outplayed Salesian. But we made an error in the back that allowed them to get off that shot."

"That shot" was a bullet that spanked the crossbar and bounced back into play. A trio of Salesian players charged in on the rebound, and saw their teamwork pay dividends when the ball wound up in the net.

Maybe it just wasn't the Panthers' day. St. Mary's might have sealed its own fate by missing a penalty kick in the first half. "That was a shocker," said Matteson. "That game was a wake-up call for us."

St. Mary's did wake up Tuesday by beating Alameda 1-0. Christian Kalmar scored the game-winner and Bryan Warren assisted.

Despite its recent slump, Mary's (5-1-3, 7-1-3) is still the running for the top spot in the league. But the ACCAL is very balanced, and either Kennedy or Richmond could catch up ahead of the Panthers.

St. Mary's has three games remaining on its schedule, all are on the road.

Like El Cerrito, the Panthers have a group of players reaching a peak at a critical time. Mike Pallas anchors the defense and Nolan Horinouchi performed gamely at stopper.

Strong goalie play is an earmark of successful teams. And the Panthers have plenty of quality goalkeeping.

Justin Kelley has provided saves per game and recorded five shutouts. In matches, he has yielded only five goals.

## Together

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After the Pilots' Kate Gordon knocked down a trey to give her team a two-point lead, Grace Haukwa came right back with a field goal to knot the game 29-29.

The Pilots charged back into the lead with a 10-2 run, but the Cougars stormed back, tying the game 39-39 on two buckets each by Jessie and

Baker (Baker fed Jessie for one basket and scored on a putback for another).

But when the Pilots' Julie Freccero struck for two, once again giving St. Joe's the lead, the Cougars never could quite catch the Pilots again.

"These are hard games to lose," Thompson said. "I'd rather lose by 20, but it was an excellent game. The (Pilots) are a well-coached team."

Then Thompson added: "The

girls gave a tremendous effort. My hat's off to them. Especially coming out of finals. I was really impressed with the way they played."

Baker had 14 rebounds to go with her game-high 22 points. Jessie (13 points) and Haukwa had eight boards each. Yamamoto wound up with 10 points, including two 3-pointers.

Gordon paced St. Joe's with 21 points. Jenny Leitz had 15 points and Freccero 15 points.

## Sillett

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"If this team was in a different league, we'd be one of the top teams," says Sillett. "Unfortunately, we're in the EBAL, where all the teams are incredibly strong."

In the history of the North Coast Section girls winter soccer playoffs, the vast majority of champions have come from the EBAL.

Berkeley will have to wait for the next realignment for any chance of relief. But as strange as it might sound, all the losses the team is now suffering now

might help the Yellowjackets both collectively and individually - in the future.

"It's tough for players to go through this hard and not be rewarded with wins," Sillett acknowledges. "But if players want to prepare for the next level, better for them to face some competition."

## Tough

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clearing the rebound out of the box.

Monte Vista started the second half the way it ended the first — namely, in attack. But Berkeley held on as long as it could.

Rachel Williams came up with a pair of big plays for the Yellowjackets in the 59th minute. First, she cleared a loose ball from the box. Moments later, a wide-open Eidman got off a blast that Sundin dived to get a hand to. Williams beat a Monte Vista player to the rebound, then cleared the ball beyond the end line to give the Mustangs a corner kick.

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**BOOKKEEPER:** For Solano Ave. retailer. Part-time, 1 day/week. Flexible schedule. QuickBooks and Excel experience required. Fax resume: 510-525-4251

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## Successful retirement plan accounts for unknowns

### Goals, dreams, require budget

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### Smart Money



### Leila Gough

Successful retirement planning requires that you determine how much income you will need in retirement and how much income

you expect to receive.

Although you may not have certain expenses, such as house or car payments, you need to be prepared for additional expenses that sometimes come with aging.

For example, you may face increased health care or long-term care costs. Do not forget to include the cost of travel or other hobbies you hope to enjoy during retirement.

Once you have prepared a budget reflecting your income needs in retirement, you are now ready to estimate what annual income you expect to receive while you are no longer working.

### Continued employment

Although most people do not relish the thought of continued employment after retirement, many must continue to be employed in some capacity to meet expenses.

Keep in mind that after you reach age 62, the social security administration limits the amount you can earn without affecting your social security benefits.

### Social Security

If you have not already done so, request an estimate of your social security benefits. If you are older

than 60, any social security office can provide you with an estimate while you wait.

If you are younger than 60, call the social security hot line at (800) 772-1213 and ask for a request for earnings and benefits statement.

### Pensions, retirement plans, IRAs

Contact your financial consultant about when you should begin taking distributions from your retirement plan and what form those distributions should take. As a general rule, you should plan to access investments in accounts that are not tax-advantaged

before you tap into your retirement plan or traditional IRA assets.

That way, you will gain the benefit of tax deferral as long as possible. Taxes are due upon withdrawal, but you are not required to being taking distributions from a traditional IRA until you reach age 70 1/2.

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## New Multiple Listing Service not for squeamish

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### Tarpo and Talbert

For weeks now we've been fooling around with computers, trying to get the new multiple listing system going. We had it a couple of times, then lost it. Now we have it again, and with luck, it's here to stay and we can learn to use it well.

The new system, supplied by CTE, is big and hungry: It takes a lot of computer memory and power. Our two computers, although only about 18 months old, were unable to run it. Disappointed but determined,

we bought one new computer and parts to make a stronger second one, then hired a computer wizard to put everything together. We spent many hours on the phone waiting for and getting advice.

Lots went wrong. There were crashes, lost programs, disappearing data.

Just when we thought things were OK, when both computers ran well for an entire week, our second patched-together system fell apart.

We were so sick of the whole exasperating situation by then that, even though we could not return the recently purchased parts and get our money back, we decided to buy a second new computer.

Beefing up our existing one had seemed like a good idea, and would have been if it had worked, but it hadn't.

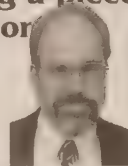
Now, we figured, we should cut our losses and begin fresh.

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## Mid-Victorian charm suffuses historic Benicia

PART ONE OF TWO PARTS

### Owning a piece of history



### Mark Wilson

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PATANET: Agents call for return of printed listings, say computer still quirky

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Meanwhile, we were watching the market via our good machine. Often, by the second week in January, the market is zooming along. Sellers who waited through the holidays to get their houses on the market are anxious to get them sold. Buyers who didn't buy before the holidays are looking for new inventory. But this year, it didn't happen that way.

It's been slow.  
Tour comes up short

Last week on the Berkeley agents' tour, there were fewer than 30 houses.

This tour extends from Richmond and El Cerrito through Berkeley, Albany and Rockridge, then on to Montclair. Ordinarily there would be 80 houses or more, sometimes 100, on this tour, many of them new listings.

Here it was, the end of January, and there were eight houses open in Richmond and El Cerrito,

seven in Berkeley, not one in Rockridge, and only a few in Montclair. Amazing.

Is the lack of new listings due to agent problems with the MLS? Are agents telling their clients that it's not a good time to list, that we are still having trouble inputting and retrieving listing information? Or is the market just slow to come to life this year?

It's hard to know. What makes watching the market so interesting is that it's like a living, breathing thing; it's not predictable and it's always changing. Some years sales begin a few days into January; other years nothing happens until February.

Things are getting better with the new MLS system. Most of offices now have it and are using it. Like us, many bought new computers; everyone attended classes to learn the new ways; lots of offices had visits from MLS technicians to help.

There is still much grumbling going on. Agents who were not

familiar with Windows-based programs (and this includes us) are having to learn how to make their way with icons and mouse clicks.

People are angry that they've had to spend money on new equipment. Some like the street maps that appear with the listings, but many say maps are unnecessary and require too much computer memory.

Quite a few agents say they want the MLS printed books, which have been discontinued, back again. There is strange stuff to be worked out, too.

Example: MLS doesn't, at the moment, recognize Kensington as a separate city. Apparently because the ZIP code for Kensington is a Berkeley ZIP, MLS insists on identifying Kensington listings as Berkeley properties.

Another sticky wicket: Agents in Contra Costa are no longer are on the same MLS system as agents in Oakland and Berkeley. With two separate systems, listings put on one are not seen by

those using the other.

Some offices are talking about the necessity of access to both which would involve double the costs, double the learning, double the user time.

And, we hear, the Contra Costa system has, perhaps, even more problems than ours. Oh, woe.

Buyers are spending

Houses are still coming on the market. Agents are looking at them, showing them, and selling them. We've heard of several multiple-offer sales in the last couple of weeks, so there must still be buyers wanting to buy.

We have several listings coming up ourselves, and if we and our sellers were ready, we'd be putting them on the market now, on MLS, and expect them to sell. It happens that these particular sellers are still getting ready. They're clearing out belongings, cleaning and painting.

We're gathering roof bids, floor plans and disclosures, writing

advertising, getting city permit records.

And we're spending time working with the new MLS. The latest problem:

The second new computer came with an internal modem that the GTE people told us was incompatible with the system. It took two days of phone calls to various gurus to remedy the situation. No one had mentioned, of course, before we bought the computer that some modems might not be acceptable. This was close to being the final straw for us, but it's fixed now.

At least one success story

We met an agent on our tour this week who hasn't had any trouble at all.

She's the first we know of. She added a new hard drive to her computer and downloaded MLS. It's been running fine ever since. What a glorious story.

We saw her at her new Montclair listing she was holding open. Maybe she listed that house when

she did because everything was working for her. I don't know. Other agents we saw this week are still trying to decide whether to buy new computers or their own. They've got MLS at the office but need it at home too, especially now that there are printed MLS books, they've got a decision to make: to spend money and time for MLS access at home or not.

One thing's for sure: Agents are out there looking at what the market. With such an abbreviated tour, it was possible to cover more territory.

We saw many of our Berkeley agent friends on tour in Kensington, in Berkeley, and in a house so later, there they were looking at open houses in Montclair. It has to be because there is so much inventory right now; everyone is looking at everything.

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GOUGH: Master plan targets standard of living

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Other investment income

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Peers name Alford '98 Realtor of the Year

From staff reports

The Oakland Association of Realtors has honored Joan Alford, the association's outgoing president, with a plaque naming her Realtor of the year for 1998.

According to the Association, Alford distinguished herself in a tumultuous year through outstanding service and many contributions to the profession.

In saluting Alford, The Association of Realtors notes that Alford's Realtor of the Year award, her presidency of the Oak-

land Association for 1998 and her presidency of Oakland's Multiple Listing Service Board in 1997 is the real estate industry's answer to the "Triple Crown."

Alford received her MBA in Pepperdine's Presidential/Key Executive MBA program. She is listed in the upcoming editions of "Who's Who in America 2,000" and "Who's Who in Finance and Industry."

Alford is associated with Coldwell Banker in Montclair and can be reached at (510) 339-1174 or [jfalford@x.netcom.com](mailto:jfalford@x.netcom.com).



Joan Alford

WILSON: Benicia a treasure

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the town was briefly the state capital of California.

Though Benicia has grown rapidly in recent years, city planners have wisely kept this town away from the town's historic center, maintaining a treasure of early California history.

When I first visited Benicia

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Events Calendar does not list for-profit listings. All events for these events can be made in our classified section by calling (510) 339-8777. Listings are made on a space-available basis.

**The Golden Gate Cymbidium Society's 10th Annual Show and Sale** will be held on Saturday, March 27th and Sunday, March 28th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. The show will be held at the Lakeside Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Ave. in Oakland's Lakeside Park. The show will include Cymbidium society of America judging, orchid plant raffles, cultural support, information, and demonstration. Call (510) 833-8478 for details.

**Free seminar on residential drainage techniques** at White Lumber Company, 642 Hearst Ave., Berkeley. Seminar will be held from 9 a.m. to noon the first Saturday of every month for a free Sick Plant Clinic at the UC

to 11:00 a.m. Greg Casorso, a contractor who specializes in drainage systems, will present this seminar and review the wide range of drainage products available, what makes an effective drainage system, and installation tips and techniques.

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vide plants for a raffle. Join the camaraderie and learn about the beautiful world of orchids. Call (510) 531-1210 for more information.

The **Golden Gate Cymbidium Society** meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Lake Merritt Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Ave., Oakland. A plant sale featured before the meeting affords you the opportunity to purchase quality cymbidiums. These meetings feature expert growers from around the world with their slides and valuable tips for growing cymbidiums. Attend this meeting and learn how to grow and bloom these beautiful plants. Call (510) 531-1210 for more information.

To run an event listing, send information to John Snyder, real estate editor, Hills Newspapers, 5707 Redwood Rd., Oakland, 94619. Phone: (510) 339-4047, Fax: (510) 339-4066. E-mail: jsnyder1@ccimes.com. Events must arrive at least one week prior to publication.

## WILSON: Old State Capitol dominates 1st Street

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In the mid 1970s, I was struck by how much this small town resembled a Mississippi River town. One of Mark Twain's novels, "Life on the Mississippi," is set in Hannibal, Missouri.

Although Benicia lies on the edge of a major metropolitan area which is constantly in flux, the Mellencamp could easily

have filmed one of his videos about "small town" life here, instead of in the Midwest.

With the solid Greek Revival facade of the old State Capitol Building dominating its main street, Benicia still has an air of 19th century village tranquility, though its past has not always been so peaceful.

Named after General Mariano Vallejo's eldest daughter Beni-

cia, this town was first settled by Easterners in 1846, just after the Bear Flag revolt and two years before the Gold Rush began.

By 1853, the new community had become sufficiently important as a deep water port to become the state capital, a position it enjoyed for only one year.

During the 1850s and 1860s, the area at the lower end of 1st Street was a haven for bordellos

and gambling houses, of which the Washington Hotel, (still standing) was the most notorious.

During these years, many prefabricated homes were brought from back east and erected along the residential sidewalks. A fair number of these clapboarded "pioneer boxes" remain in the old

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The Rigid-Frame Cabin offers wide living spaces without needing support posts.

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## WILSON: Benicia walking tour takes off again

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town district today.

**Private academies flourish**

Benicia also was home to several private academies and prep schools in the 19th century, among them the original campus of Mills College for Women, (now located in Oakland).

In 1847, the Army established the Benicia Barracks at the east end of town, which remained an important military base until the

1920s. In the mid-1800s, the Benicia Barracks housed such important figures as Ulysses S. Grant and William Tecumseh Sherman.

Since the early 1980s, this former army base has been an industrial park, and many of its Victorian Era barracks and officers quarters have been renovated and undergone "adaptive re-use."

**Police chief indicted in crackdown**

After the turn of the century, Benicia's growth and develop-

ment slackened for several decades. The "red light" area at the foot of 1st Street remained active until 1954, when it was closed in a major crackdown on corruption that indicted the city's police chief.

In recent years, much of the 19th century building stock of this unique Bay Area hamlet has

been carefully restored and put to new uses.

Benicia is emerging as a popular community for family living, as well as for lovers of Victorian architecture. A tour of the town's historic district will reveal its many architectural treasures.

Begin your tour in front of the

cottage at 235 East L St., near East 2nd Street. This is the Walter Cottage, a pioneer era Gothic Revival residence that is the oldest wood frame building in the East Bay.

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JOAN BRUNSWICK 524-9888 x 12.....\$259,000



**ALBANY.** 951 Madison. Just Listed!! Open Sunday 2-4. Sweet 2BR/1BA bungalow. New kitchen and bath. French doors, updated electric & plumbing, new concrete driveway, front deck, lovely backyard with storage. Quiet street.  
TRACY SICHTERMAN 524-9888 x 27.....\$199,000



**BERKELEY.** 840 Ensenada. Beautiful 1,000 Oaks 2BR/1.5BA with updated kitchen. Spacious lower level, generous storage areas. Walk to shops, restaurants, etc.  
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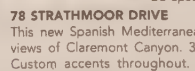


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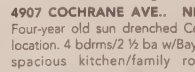
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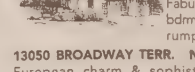
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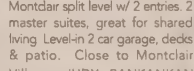
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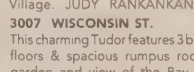
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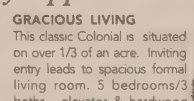


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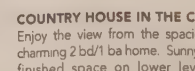


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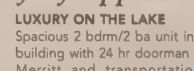


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# WILSON: Restoration always under way in town rich with styles, history

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The home originally was pre-war, around Boston, and shipped around the Horn. It is one of the identical "Carpenter style" wooden cottages made in the early 20th century by the architect Mariano Vallejo's firm in Sonoma.

The house has a lacy, icicle-pendant barge along the gables, the finished roof peaks and the arched window facing the street typify the Gothic Revival style.

Three blocks to the west, at 10 West 2nd St. at K Street, is an example of a brownstone house built around 1910 during the early 20th century. This perfectly preserved Craftsman has a low-pitched roofline, exposed rafters under the eaves, and field stone foundation under an entry with "elephantine" columns.

A field stone garden wall with a flanking the driveway complements this picture of Edwardian elegance.

Half block away, at 235 West 1st, stands one of the Bay Area's best examples of a Queen Anne

villa in its original setting.

Built in 1891, this stunningly impressive three-story house has a full rounded corner with a witch's hat spire, fish scale shingles, several superb scenic stained glass windows, and recessed corner bays along the ground floor, all classic features of the Queen Anne villa.

## Lush, landscaped lot

This mansion sits on one of the most lushly landscaped lots in Benicia, with three of its original palm trees and the original wrought-iron, Gothic tracery fence.

Its previous owners carried out extensive repairs and renovations on this house a few years ago.

One block to the south, at 304 West J St., is a rare example of a pure Stick style house. This was the least ornate of all the Victorian Era styles, employing simple two-by-four paneling, i.e. "stick-work" along the corners and around the windows as the primary decorative feature.

This house was built in the early 1880s, and has an intricate pattern of jigsaw-cut, latticework along its front porch.

At 288 West J Street is a mod-

est Queen Anne cottage, built about 1890 to 1895. This humble abode displays some delicate spindlework on the porch.

A few doors away, at 280 West J Street, stands one of the oldest homes in Benicia. This is a classic "pioneer box," built between about 1865 and 1875. This clapboarded cottage has a pedimented roofline that lends it a hint of the Greek Revival style.

Nearby, at 261 West J Street is a lovely Stick-Eastlake style house built about 1880 to 1890. Perfectly framed by two enormous palm trees and its original cement steps, this house has unusually lacy, machine-cut, geometric Eastlake-style decoration on its squared bays.

On the next block, at 135 West J St., is a very interesting "Car-

penter Gothic" style wooden church, built in the 1870s. It has an unusually bulky tower for this style. At 120 West J Street is a rare wood-front, Mission Revival style meeting hall, built between 1915 and 1925.

## 'Mother of all Masonic lodges'

The mother of all Masonic lodges in California stands at 110 West J Street at 1st Street.

Built in 1850 at the height of the Gold Rush, this wooden Greek Revival style meeting hall was the first Masonic Temple ever erected in California.

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At the northwest corner of 1st and East J streets is a Colonial Revival house built at the turn of the 19th century with a deep-set portico, a very vertical emphasis to its design, and a handsome setting.

There is another excellent example of a Stick-Eastlake cottage at 121 East J St., built between about 1880 and 1885. It has a stepped roofline and an uncommon variety of sawn wood trim.

It's the neighbor to number 145, a nice Stick style cottage,

built between 1875 and 1885. The Gothic peaked gable has a narrow bargeboard, and the wide corner porch is lined with spindles.

The oldest relocated woodframe house in the Bay Area stands at 122 East J St. The Reverend McAllister House was originally built as a saltbox in Torrington Connecticut in 1790. Its typical 18th century design displays long sloping saltbox roofline, wood-latticed windows and

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# Be prepared for surprise relocation

By Conrad Bassett

It's Friday at about 5 p.m. You've worked hard all week to complete several important projects and are getting ready to head out the door when your boss sits you down. You've seen that look before and it is not the one which means you are getting a promotion and a big raise.

It turns out the company has a "tremendous opportunity for you." The opportunity, however, is not in the Bay Area but in Dallas, and if you want to keep a job with your company, you are going to be moving and very soon.

Your boss hands you a relocation policy, waves a hand in front of your face to make sure you are still breathing and tells you to "have a nice weekend."

On your way home you wonder how your family will feel about trading their new snowboards for cowboy hats. . . and some important work lies ahead.

First, study the company's relocation policy. Make sure you understand what the company will pay for, what they will reimburse you for, and whether or not they will provide for tax protection of any reimbursements.

Most companies provide in their policies for financial assistance for the individuals they move. However, these policies vary widely from company to company and also many have tiers depending upon the employee's grade level or position.

Secondly, will the company buy your house if you cannot sell it? Make sure you have a written

commitment from your company for this benefit. Judging from the home values in the Oakland hills, this is probably the biggest expense you will have.

Will the company provide for you a bridge loan or an equity advance? If you find your dream house and need funds for a deposit or down payment, how will you come up with it?

Next, prepare for your household goods movement. What will the company move for you? Will they move your new sailboat? What about your son's car or your daughter's horse?

Now you realize you've never been to Dallas and Dallas is a BIG city! Where do you want to live? What will it cost? How are the schools? How long do you commute? There is no BART or its

equivalent in Dallas.

You need to find out what the company will pay for regarding house hunting trips. Can your children accompany you? How many trips can you make? Will the company reimburse you for child care if the kids cannot go along?

What about temporary living? The company wants you to be in Dallas yesterday. Will trips back home be covered while you are in the new location and the family is still here?

Closing costs. If you plan to purchase a home in the new location, make sure you know exactly what your company will pay for and when they will pay for it. Do

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# WILSON: Reverend bought, moved house

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a clapboarded exterior.

In 1864, Reverend Julian McAllister bought this house and had it shipped around the Horn and re-erected on this site.

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, at the southeast corner of 1st and East J Streets, is one of the best examples of an intact "Carpenter Gothic" style church in the Bay Area.

Norwegian ship's carpenters at work

Erected between 1858 and 1859, its clean, finely-rendered design was carried out by Norwegian ship's carpenters during a winter layover in Benicia. The tower, with its crisp vertical lines

and hollow wooden "buttresses" is especially nice.

In next week's column, we will explore the Gold Rush Era landmarks along Benicia's 1st Street including the old state capitol building and one of the oldest inns in the East Bay.

Anyone interested in knowing more about historic architecture can take my seminar, "Historic House Interiors," on February 19th. Co-sponsored by Chico's Title Company, it will be held at the Berkeley Association of Realtors, at Martin Luther King way at Cedar Street, from 12:30 to 4:30 P.M.

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## 'Work triangle' leaves mark on comfort, kitchen refit

FROM THE GROUND UP



By Paul Winans

This is part two of a three-part series

What is the best way to start a kitchen remodel? Last week we looked at identifying problem areas and goals, selecting a designer and contractor and getting the project off to a good start.

Now let's get down to determining the new kitchen layout and choosing your materials.

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# Changes usher in new era of rent decontrol policy

By Bob Hayes

January normally brings with it a slew of new or modified statutes, courtesy of our ever-industrious state legislature. This year, however, at least in the real estate arena, there's not much tinkering of note to report, with one MAJOR exception. January 1, 1999 marked the end of the three-year phase-in of sweeping residential vacancy decontrol legislation known as the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act.

Let's review its major provisions.

In essence, the Costa-Hawkins

Act preempts, on a statewide basis, the ability of local municipalities to freely legislate in the area of residential rent controls. Although, unlike the state's earlier total preemption of the right of local governments to impose commercial property rent controls, Costa-Hawkins doesn't completely eliminate residential rent control, it does deal it a nearly fatal blow.

At the heart of this legislation is the abolition of what is known as "vacancy control," the ability of a city to impose controlled rents on vacant units.

Costa-Hawkins prohibits such ordinances and eliminates exist-

ing ordinances in the case of voluntarily vacated units. The limitation of this preemption of local law to "voluntarily" vacated units means that rent control will not terminate when the immediately prior tenant was evicted pursuant to a 30-day notice or when that tenancy was terminated due to a change in its terms.

Nor does it apply when the previous tenant was evicted for nonpayment of rent.

In addition, all newly constructed housing (defined as having received a certificate of occupancy after February 1, 1995) is permanently exempt from rent control, as are all units which

qualified for such an exemption on an earlier date under the provisions of a rent control ordinance in effect at that time.

With respect to sublessees, landlords may increase rent to any amount to any sublessee not in residence prior to January 1, 1996, provided that the original occupant (lessee) is no longer in residence.

All of this adds up to a major gutting of the rent control provisions of such ordinances as those in effect in Berkeley and Santa Monica. In effect, only tenants in possession since at least December 31, 1995, will continue to receive the benefit of a controlled

monthly rent.

Having said all this, however, it is important to note that the eviction control aspect of local rent control ordinances is completely unaffected by the Costa-Hawkins Act.

In cities such as Berkeley, where eviction can occur only for a narrowly defined list of reasons, tenants who do not choose to move will continue to receive the full protection of such regulations.

In addition, there is no vacancy decontrol with respect to any dwelling which contains serious health, safety, fire, or build-

ing code violations.

Finally, although the statutory language is not entirely clear at this point, it is generally assumed that Costa-Hawkins does not include local municipalities imposing controls on subtenant rent increases to the same extent.

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# Slew of readers' questions lets 'bankers' secret' out of bag

Part one of a two-part series

By Karen Senzig

Readers have called lately with similar questions and I thought I would share them with you. In fact one caller, Carl from Albany, called in with a question and then called back with the answer. I love our readers.

Carl said that he had read somewhere that when you refinance a purchase money loan it somehow changes your personal liability.

Carl called back to tell us that the article had run in the Albany Journal, October 29, 1998 and was written by Blumberg (a regular columnist of the Real Estate section).

About that time, Scott, my partner and broker, walked into the office and said, "Of course!"

It is a matter of recourse versus non-recourse, Scott said. When you refinance a purchase money loan (the loan you get to buy the house) your personal liability increases in that you have no source of aid in the case of a decline in value or a deficiency judgment.

The most common question is regarding "the banker's secret," or how to pay off your mortgage 10 to 15 years early. Does it affect my payment if I pay my principle early?

You can pay your 30 year mortgage off 10 to 15 years early if you pay additional principle early in the term of the loan.

Just as I don't understand exactly how a television set works, I know just enough about bankers' secret stuff. More importantly, you need to remember that when you amortize a mortgage over 30 years, you are primarily

paying for interest in the first ten to fifteen years.

If you can be disciplined enough to make that additional one payment per year (both interest and principle towards principle pay down only) your 30 year mortgage can be paid off many years earlier.

As one of my mentors in the industry once explained it, "You're messing with the amortization." It does not, however, mess with your payment. Paying down your principle changes the term, or number of years it takes to pay of the loan, but the payment stays the same.

Unlike years ago, when interest rates ranged between 12 to 14 percent, it only took one additional payment to buy down the term from 30 years to 15 years. Today, with interest rates ranging from 6 to 7 percent you need to make at least two additional

payments.

Another common question: Will a short sale hurt my credit? Here's a reader example: Several years ago, I bought a home above a military hospital. When the base closed all the doctors who owned homes sold their properties well under market. Now my home is not worth the mortgages on it. I have a potential buyer for my home but the offer is well below the combined first and second mortgage. Can I offer the lender a "short sale" and not have my credit hurt?

Lenders generally review your asset and liability situation to determine if they will accept less than full amount due on their loan. If they find you reasonably financially unable to pay the difference between what they will receive from the closing and their

loan amount (the "short fall"), they may forgive payment of that amount. Under usual circumstances, lenders will not forgive the entire amount of the loans due to them.

Any loan forgiveness will likely have income tax ramifications to you because the Internal Revenue Service and the Franchise Tax Board both treat loan forgiveness as income. Thus, you may have to pay income taxes on the loan forgiveness just as though you have earned that amount of money. Be sure to consult with your tax advisor before you finally approve any proposal from the holder of the second trust

deed.

After reviewing your "short sale" application, the lender will determine if you have the financial resources to repay the balance from money other than the proceeds of your home or your ability to earn the money to pay it back.


Continued next week

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# Don't settle for an agent who relies on shortcuts

By Don Dunning

## Look for experience

There is nothing more valuable than experience used on your behalf. I recently sold an attractive Tudor-style home in a desirable Oakland neighborhood. According to the sellers, the kitchen and baths had been remodeled under permit.

Experience has taught me to check the permit history when remodeling is involved, so I took the buyers downtown to the City building department. As a result of our research, we uncovered a fascinating fact: the house had been moved from another location in 1961.

Despite having lived there for over six years, the sellers were surprised when I told them the house had originally been erected elsewhere. The previous seller had not disclosed this to them, and no one had suggested they check City records when they purchased it.

This information was invaluable during the general home inspection, because the inspector was in a position to point out why

an older home had a newer foundation. We were also able to substantiate that the improvements had been done under permit, and that the permits had been "finaled."

## Ask for references

Full-time professionals will be happy to give you names of recent clients. Call two or three and ask about the agent. What did he do that displayed extraordinary service and caring? Ask if they would unhesitatingly use this same Realtor again.

Some areas in which you will want your agent to "go the extra mile":

## Assessing value

The best agents are very thorough in helping their buyers and sellers ascertain value. Although market value is ultimately determined only after the property sells, having a comprehensive overview at the beginning is fundamental. Weak agents gloss over this.

Pricing is difficult in a rapidly rising market. Be sure to ask your

Realtor exactly how he will help you understand prices and values so you can make informed decisions.

## Deciphering inspections

Problems in houses can be complicated. Structural pest control (termite) reports and home inspection reports require a practiced eye and an inquiring mind.

Accepting a pest control report with "further inspections" might mean you just bought a home with expensive problems you will only find out about later. Home inspection reports often advise follow-up inspections from licensed roofers, drainage experts, engineers or heating/plumbing contractors.

Top-notch agents have a trustworthy team of these technicians and they will guide you through the process. Slipshod salespeople will minimize the issues and do little to enlighten you.

## Helping with a loan

Getting a home loan is often quite confusing, especially the first time. Should you use a bank,

mortgage broker, credit union or the Internet? Everyone promises the best rates and lowest fees.

Career Realtors know which lenders are appropriate for your situation. If you have less than perfect credit, many lenders will not grant you a loan. Those who will, usually offer higher rates and fees. This is also true for properties that have structural problems and are being purchased "As Is."

In this overheated market, the sheer volume of purchase loans and refinances they are processing overwhelms lenders. An agent you can trust will lead you to a lender who will not only get you an attractive rate, but will actually fund on time. This is essential.

## Staying in touch

Unfortunately, some people in this business are unreliable and inaccessible. Whether you are a buyer or seller, you should be hearing from your agent often, be it by telephone, e-mail, fax or in person. At the beginning, it could be every day, or several times a

day. In the later stages of an escrow, once-a-week is the minimum to expect.

It is also vitally important that your Realtor keep in touch with the other agent in the sale. Transactions run into trouble, and sometimes fall apart, because one of the agents does not do his part. The keys are communication, responsiveness and follow-up.

## Negotiating

Negotiating is a crucial skill and an ongoing process. You want your real estate representative to go to bat for you without you even having to ask. Be sure you are working with someone who is willing to put the time and energy into doing what is best for you.

## Purchase contract & paperwork

Contracts and addenda can work for or against you, depending upon the expertise with which they are drafted. Order-takers mindlessly fill in the blanks with little or no concern about how the nuances could affect you.

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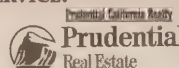
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## WINANS: Now you're cookin' again

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Is there to be an eating area in the kitchen? In some houses there is enough space to accommodate a breakfast nook. In others there is not. Rarely does a table take up less than 2'6"x5'0", if it is to seat four people. And remember, each chair requires an area about 2'6"x3'6". This is quite a bit of space.

People spend a lot of time in the kitchen. The idea of a "great room," combining the functions of the kitchen, dining room and living room, is very popular.

To provide more than eating space in a home built before the 1970s usually requires removing interior walls and/or adding on to the kitchen.

The three most important work areas are the range, the refrigerator and the sink, which form a "work triangle" as the person working in the kitchen will be walking the triangle over and over again each time a meal is cooked.

Wouldn't you like to be able to walk just a few feet less every meal? Design a layout to make the sides of the work triangle as short as possible.

Make sure you put the sink on an outside wall under a window. Even if you are loading a dishwasher, which should be next to the sink, it is much more interesting to look through a window than at a blank wall. If the view through the window is of a neighbor's house just a few feet away, consider a greenhouse window and creating your own view

with potted plants or favorite objects.

The range should have counter on either side, preferably large enough to accommodate a large pot and/or some preparation work. The minimum width for this space should be about 1'6". Try to avoid positioning the

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## BASSETT: Surprise, you're moving

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you have to pay up front for the closing costs and then be reimbursed? Closing costs at the destination can be as much as 4 percent or more, so be prepared.

Finally, are you a good negotiator? Some companies have relocation policies that are chiseled in stone; others manage by ex-

ception and if you feel that anything is unfair or unreasonable, you should be prepared to come up with a valid reason.

The questions are unending and most answers bring up more questions. If you agree to move, you need to ask every question

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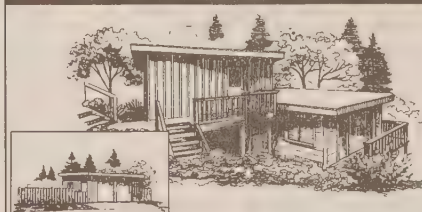
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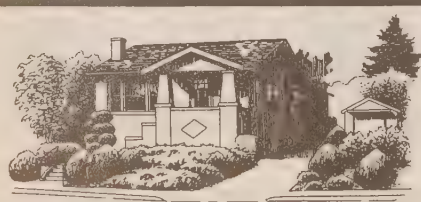
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By Don Pearman

Dear Mr. Pearman: In a recent column you stated that installation of replacement windows should at minimum be done to code, but that there were better ways to ensure a weather-proof installation. Would you elaborate on how, or point me to a source for that information? I am expecting to replace all the windows in my home this summer. I'm considering doing the work myself, but even if I hire a professional I'd like to know I'm getting the best job possible. Also, if you have any advice on how to select a brand of replacement window, I'd appreciate that information. Mark from Loomis.

Dear Mark: Windows and doors are two of the most problematic areas of a house. When they leak, they can cause an extensive amount of decay, and decay can reduce the structural integrity of the surrounding fram-

ing in a short time, sometimes as little as nine months. Unfortunately, this decay can occur unseen.

At other times, the decay is visible in swelling, stains and cracking of the drywall next to the affected windows or doors.

Code for the installation of windows simply requires that they be watertight. In most jurisdictions, it is considered sufficient to install two layers of flashing paper around the opening that

the window will be set into.

## Modified bitumen better

I have long since switched from the code-minimum method to one using modified bitumen, a thick, plastic-like material that, when installed around the window opening, acts like a gasket to prevent water intrusion. This material is initially more expensive than the code-minimum paper, but saves in the long run—I have never had any leaking problems

in windows installed using this product.

Part of the problem, though, is that the modified bitumen is trickier than standard flashing paper to install. I recommend that you find a qualified installer; your local building window supplier should have the product, and they should be able to recommend an installer.

I think it would be possible to hire someone for a day or two who could show you the proper way to install windows, and then you

could finish the project on your own as time permits.

When I put in a window using the modified bitumen installation method, I test it for leaks using a garden hose to simulate wind-blown rain before the siding, stucco or trim is installed. So far, I have never had a window that has leaked. In the old days, using the less-expensive method


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**Oakland**

Convenient to 580 Hwy. Great pool area Russ Grant 814-4713

**\$30,000 1875 81 ST.** Lot - Great site for duplex! Seller wants to sell now and may carry with good down payment. Call for details Richard Powell 814-4837

**\$119,000 3844 MAYBELLE.** A large 2 BD, 1 1/2 BA condo in a quiet neighborhood above MacArthur. Located in a small complex with fireplace and covered parking Russ Grant 814-4713

**\$133,000 6470 MOUNTAIN VIEW.** Two townhouse-style units. Call for details Kathy Hirsch 814-4706

**\$145,000 375 JAYNE AVE. #203.** Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo near Lake Merritt. Formal living & dining room, fireplace, security building & 1 garage parking space. Don Gutierrez 814-4854

**\$179,000 3148 MAXWELL AVE.** Lovely single level cottage in Maxwell Park ready to move in! Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, freshly painted and plumbing in full basement for second bathroom. Tere Lee 521-3352

**\$209,000 2907 McKILLIP ROAD.** Cute family home in desirable neighborhood with lots of charm! Single level with three bedrooms, 1 bath, formal dining room, detached garage, sunny yard and is near all necessities. Steve Sorenson 814-4889

**\$325,000 471 27th St.** Fourplex! Town 1 bedroom units, one 2 bedrooms unit and one 3 bedrooms unit all have 1 bath. All units include a range/oven, refrigerator and deck, some include a fireplace. Off street parking Tere Lee 814-4840

**\$349,000 4325 MOUNTAIN VIEW. OPEN SUN. 2-4.** Single level 3 bedroom, 3 bath home in a park like setting! This showplace includes formal dining room, extra large family room or in-law unit, and refinished hardwood floors. Shirley Ellis 522-5545

**\$112,000 16343 SARATOGA ST.** Ground level 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath condo in pleasant location with balcony that gets filtered view.

**\$140,000 718 FREDRICK ROAD.** Single level 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1 car attached garage. Price reduced! Call for details in present condition. Ins. report available. Tere Lee 521-3352

**\$165,000 14171 SEAGATE DR. OPEN SUN. 2-4.** Single story 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo in great location! All appliances included, new kitchen & bathroom floors, neutral color carpets and community pool, spa, and tennis court. Tere Lee 521-3352

**\$175,000 14001 SEAGATE DR.** Super clean 2 bedroom, 2 bath, executive townhome! Former model home, gourmet kitchen 1-car garage and 1 carport. This is a "10." Bev & George Williams 522-7173

**\$235,000 14009 SEAGATE DR. OPEN SAT. & SUN. 2-4.** Wonderful 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath townhome with view of pool. Former model home, designer carpeting/custom window treatment, air conditioning, mirrored closet doors, built-in bookcases & bar. Over-sized dual tub in master bath. Tere Lee 521-3352

**\$249,000 788 PORTOLA DR.** Great 5 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 3 bedrooms and 1 bath. PENDING! 2 bedrooms & bath upstairs. Second in-law unit. Hardwood floors throughout and double garage. Shirley McWilliam 814-4825

**\$315,000 1233 AMBER CT.** Mediterranean style with tile roof, 4+ bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, and breakfast area. Marble tile upgrade, high ceilings, finished backyard, close to BART. Ringo Liu 814-4848

**\$350,000 COMMERCIAL BUSINESS ON MacArthur BLVD.** Restaurant with all equipment included in sales price. Call now for details. Tere Lee 521-3352




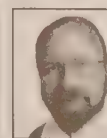






**Castro Valley**

**\$240,000 19219 VAUGHN AVE. OPEN SUN. 2-4.** Single level ranch style home with 2 bedrooms, and 1 bath. Newly remodeled, new roof, French doors to large private rear yard. New wall furnace and newer W/W carpeting. Bev & George Williams 522-7173

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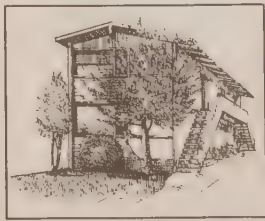
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### COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL INCOME

- Great opp! Shattuck near Ashby, large commercial office suite & 2 apts. ....\$395,000
- New listing! 3bd apt. over storefront, warehouse & office w/ham! ....\$332,000
- Huge 2-story townhouse style duplex. Deep lot! ....\$229,000

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**OPEN SUNDAY**

Castro Valley Peak (2-4)	Berkeley	3++bd/2.5ba	\$415,000
Castro Valley Rd. (2-4)	Berkeley	4+bd/2.5ba	\$540,000
Castro Valley St. (2-4-30)	Berkeley	3bd/1ba	\$195,000
Castro Valley (2-4)	Richmond	2bd/1ba	\$129,900
Castro Valley (2-4)	Richmond Annex	3bd/2ba	\$219,000
Castro Valley (2-4)	El Cerrito	2bd/1ba	\$159,000

**BY APPOINTMENT**

Castro Valley large 1bd/1ba condo in exciting Rockridge location. Must see! ..\$176,500
Castro Valley Clean & charming 2+bd/1.5ba Victorian, near Elmwood. ....\$259,000

## A Part of YOUR Community



# This new paint is hot — or cool — depending on season

By John Schneider  
and Toni Wilson

New interior paint can help warm in the winter, cool in summer. If you've been looking for an inexpensive way to help keep your home warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer, we've come across a product that can help.

There is an amazing new type of interior wall finish on the market today which actually will make a room feel warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer. It is called "Radiance," and is a low-e interior specialty coating. This interior coating is similar to regular latex paint, with a very important difference.

Radiance is a specially formulated paint that contains millions of microscopic particles suspended in a liquid material, which when painted onto a surface, forms a type of protective barrier.

When dried, this barrier has the ability to reflect radiant energy, the most important factor in your home's heat gain and loss.

Radiant energy travels through the air in waves, similar to light energy. However, it cannot be felt in the air, it only produces heat when it actually hits another object.

In winter, the walls and ceilings in your house absorb this radiant energy from the interior of the house, allowing it to escape to the outside of the building. In the summer, your walls and ceilings absorb this energy from the exterior heat, trapping it back inside the house and increasing your cooling costs.

Painting your walls and ceilings with Radiance will create an invisible reflective barrier that can reflect up to 40 percent of radiant energy.

During the winter, Radiance will reflect radiant energy back into the building, making it feel warmer. During the summer, it

will reflect some of the radiant energy away from the house, keeping it cooler.

The technology for this type of paint is similar to that of low-e type windows which reduce the loss of interior heat (through the window) in the winter and reduces the amount of outside radiant heat that can enter the room in the summer.

The "e" in low-e refers to "emissivity," which is the ability of a surface to emit or absorb radiant energy. The lower the "e" value, the more efficient it is in blocking the transmission of radiant energy. The "e" value is measured on a scale of one to zero, with zero being the best. The Radiance interior finishes have an e value of 0.59 to 0.72.

How good is this paint? We spoke with Lynn Walters, Regional Sales Manager for Radiance paints in California. Lynn said that an average customer

could see a 10 to 20 percent savings on their energy costs.

Studies have shown that by painting your walls and ceilings with Radiance adds a perceived two to six degrees warmer in the winter and two to six degrees cooler in the winter.

Walters demonstrated the reflective properties of this material by showing us two wall samples side by side that were being heated with a bright light shining on both of them. He then used an infrared thermal imaging camera to look at the surfaces, and you could truly see more of the radiant energy reflecting off of the wall surface painted with Radiance, than the wall painted with regular latex paint.

"Radiance can be applied in one coat over any surface that can be painted with conventional paint," Lynn said. "It has excellent hiding properties and goes

on smoothly with a brush, roller or sprayer. It is as durable as any good quality latex paint and washes up with water."

Lynn went on to say that Radiance comes in an assortment of 72 colors, and costs about \$35 to \$37 a gallon. Each gallon covers about 350 to 400 square feet. When covering new surfaces or dark colors, Lynn recommends that you first apply a primer coat of paint. After approximately 30 days the material is fully cured and is guaranteed to be scrubable.

In fact, your complete satisfaction with this product is guaranteed by the manufacturer. Lynn commented, "If the product is applied according to the label directions and the finish fails to perform, the manufacturer will refund the purchase, or will furnish an equivalent amount of Radiance low-e interior finish at no cost."

Although we have personally tried this product, as advertised it's one of the innovations we've seen in the painting industry lately. Imagine being able to keep your heating and cooling costs down and increasing the comfort of your home, by merely adding paint. For more information on this product, you can contact the manufacturer, Chem-Rite, 766-6776, or contact their website [www.radiance.com](http://www.radiance.com).

John Schneider and Toni Wilson operate All About Home Inspection, a home inspection company specializing in construction consultation service. With more than 30 years of experience in the real estate construction industries, they may address questions or comments to All About Home Inspection, Suite 7, 1800 CA 94544. Fax (510) 531-1111.

## Suggestions to get anyone through ordeal of selling a home

Walnut Creek — Pacific Union Service Center understands selling a home is an emotional process.

Most people have memories built into their homes — from marks on the walls noting the children's growth to the kitchen floor tiled by hand.

Although it can be difficult to watch other people walk through your home, the following guidelines can ease the process and help turn your emotional investment into a financial gain.

lines can ease the process and help turn your emotional investment into a financial gain.

### Enlist a professional

Let a professional salesperson talk to the customer.

Pacific Union Service Center, a member of the RELO network of 1,100 independent real estate firms across the country, can market your home to people al-

ready living in the community as well as those thousands of miles away who are looking to move to the area soon.

The agent can address the selling price, terms, possession date and other details.

### Attendance is not mandatory

You do not have to be present during your home showing. This may be a great time to treat your-

self to a movie, shopping, massage or dinner. An offer could be waiting by the time you return. Let the agent know how to reach you.

### Avoid crowds

Potential buyers will feel like intruders and want to hurry through the home inspection if there are too many people around.

Send the kids over to a neighbor's or take them down to

the ice cream store when the real estate agent shows your home.

### Put Fido outside

Dogs may be man's best friend, but not when showing your house. Keep all pets out of the way and not underfoot.

### Silence is golden

Keep the televisions and radios down — or off. Let the real

estate agent and buyers freely without having to hear noise.

### This is not a social call

Be courteous and friendly, but don't try to force company with potential buyers.

They are there to inspect the house, not to be social. Let the salesperson do the talking.

## YOUR WEEKEND GUIDE OPEN HOMES

### OAKLAND OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30

**54 GRAVATT DR.**, Claremont Hills. Just listed! Gorgeous 4bd/3ba Med **\$1,195,000** style new constr. Fab pano bay wvl Must see! Pacific Union, Patricia Scott 339-6460

**20 WOODSIDE WY.**, Claremont Hills. Custom built. Mstr suite +4bd, **\$1,090,000** 3ba. FDR, gourmet kitchen, family rm. Or Orinda/Berk/Oakland. SF bay view. Templeton Co, Bebe McRae 652-2133 X145 2-4

**4927 PROCTOR AVE.**, Upr Rockridge. 5+3/5 new Mediterranean. **\$1,075,000** A work of art! Custom detail. Views! Prudential CA, John Wesley 339-9290

**6291 RUTLAND RD.**, Montclair. 4bd/3+ba. FIRST OPEN! Stunning **\$975,000** new trad'l. Pano views! Quality. 3-car gar. Pacific Union, Helen Danahall 547-5750

**6211 FAIRLANE**, Drop Dead Gorgeous! New Italian Villa unmatched **\$869,000** In quality. Stunning vws. A Must See! Coldwell Banker, Fritz Hochfeller 339-1174

**5560 GOLDEN GATE**, Rockridge. New 4+bd/3+ba. Big sunny rooms! **\$849,950** Front courtyard. Gourmet kit. 3-car garage. Coldwell Banker, Ruth Lockhart 339-1174

**4601 ROCKINGHAM CT.**, Dramatic home on lg level gated lot. Formal **\$825,000** LR & DR. EIK adj to great family rm. Bds/baths upstairs. The GRUBB Company, Kurt Buchholz 339-0400

**35 LIVE OAK**, Mstr suite +3bd/3ba, office, cook's kit, skylights. **\$799,000** New constr. Views of SF! Berkeley Hills RE, Chris Ehlers-Harden 524-9888 X22 2-5

**911 AQUARIUS WAY**, Montclair. 5bd/3+ba w/grt attention to detail. **\$799,000** Family rm, office, level yard. Pacific Union, Lee Jacobson 339-6460

**5070 COCHRANE AVE.**, Upper Rockridge. 4bd/4ba Mediterranean. Pano **\$795,000** views. Aupair. Marvin Gardens 527-9111, Renee Moore 559-2911 1-4

**78 STRATHMOOR DR.**, New 3bd/2.5ba Spanish Mediterranean w/ **\$795,000** pano views of Claremont Cyn. Den. Custom accents. GRUBB, Ashley O'Neill 339-0400

**4907 COCHRANE AVE.**, Sun Drenched 4bd/2.5ba Craftsman w/pano **\$725,000** views, level garden, spacious kit/family combo. GRUBB Co, John Karmay 339-0400

**510 MOUNTAIN BL.**, Montclair. 4+bd/2+ba sophisticated Prairie **\$679,000** style w/every amenity. Level out yard. Pacific Union, Dick Cohen 339-6460

**6186 MAZUELA DR.**, Smashing 2 yr old contemp. Quality. View! **\$658,000** 5bd/3ba. Family rm & rumpus. Fab kitchen. The GRUBB Co, Sandra Vogl 339-0400

**6427 ASCOT DR.**, Montclair. 6bd/5ba beautifully updated w/privacy, **\$635,000** patio, & potential for large yd. Pacific Union, Teri Carlisle 339-6460

**13050 BROADWAY TER.**, European charm & sophistication. Craftsman **\$635,000** features thru-out. Garden. Vistas of bay & bridges. GRUBB, Debra Dryden 339-0400

**7038 BROADWAY TER.**, Montclair. New Listing! Bay view contemp. **\$624,000** 3+bd/2 1/2 ba. Den and family rooms. Montclair Better Homes 339-4000

**6425 SNAKE RD.**, Montclair. 5bd/4ba w/sweeping bay & bridge views! **\$585,000** 3 levels. Unique 2nd level. Private living. Prudential CA, Karen Blancy 339-9290

**651 HADDON RD.**, Haddon Hill. 5 bdrms. 3.5 baths. A showplace! **\$525,000** LaSalle Properties, Tom Erwin 339-8900 X230

**4305 SAINT CLOUD CT.**, Lovely 4/3 Ridgmont contemp w/elegant **\$489,000** LR w/frpl. EIK. Family rm. Bonus rm. GRUBB Co, Sherry Benninger 339-0400

**7237 WILD CURRANT WAY**, Montclair. New Listing. First time on **\$479,000** market! 3+2.5. Custom owner/builder. Montclair Better Homes 339-4000

**1760 ARROWHEAD DR.**, Montclair. 3+bd/2 1/2 ba. Gorgeous. Restored. **\$459,500** Fab kit. Level out yd. Family rm/office. Prudential CA, Adrienne Nash 763-4060

**10935 MONAN**, Oak Knoll. 4/2. Incredible in/out living! Sizeable rec **\$450,000** rm w/wet bar. 3-car garage. Prudential CA 834-2010, Frank Jorden 655-5936 1-4

**6389 LONGCROFT**, Montclair. 4bd/2ba. New Listing! Lovely contemp **\$399,000** w/warmth & charm. Serene setting. EIK & family rm. Pacific Union, Teri 339-6460

**43 ROCK LANE**, Cragmont. 4bd/2ba Normandy. Bay view. **\$399,000** Family room. Formal dining room. LaSalle Properties, Mary Hanna 339-8900

**714 & 716 JEAN ST.**, Rose Garden. 2bd/1ba trad'l w/bonus rm & **\$395,000** 2/1 rental. 4 car garage. Reduced! Prudential CA 834-2010, Brian Smith 466-5737

**MONTCLAIR**, 2bd/2ba. Private & airy w/wooded view. Decks. **\$390,000** Solarium. Hot tub. Call Owner 658-5427 Sunday 11-3 Call for Address

**5356 MANILA**, Rockridge. Beautiful 3+bd/1ba Craftsman. Fab bsmt. **\$375,000** Walk to shops & BART. Montclair Better Homes Realty 339-8400

**2950 HOLYROOD**, Montclair. New Listing! 3bd/2ba all level contemp. **\$369,000** Park-like setting. Mstr suite. 2 frpls. Pacific Union, Donna Costella 339-6460

**2427 STOCKBRIDGE**, Montclair. Charming 3bd/2ba. New Listing! **\$369,000** Cozy kit/family rm w/fireplace. Pacific Union, Sandi Klemmer 339-6460

**7297 SKYLINE BL.**, 3 bdrm. 2 1/2 bath. Bay View. New Kitchen. **\$349,500** Prudential CA Realty, Angela Williams 339-9290

**34 SERENO CIR.**, First Time Open! Redwood Hts. 3bd/3ba w/pano **\$349,000** view of bay bridges! Move in condition. Montclair Better Homes 339-4000

**4325 MOUNTAIN VIEW**, Single level 3/3. FDR, family rm or in-law. **\$349,000** Refinished hwdws. Harbor Bay, Shirley Ellis 522-5545 2-4

**940 ALMA PL.**, Crocker Highland gem! Trad'l detailing, hwdw floors. **\$345,000** 3+bd/2ba, rumpus. Updates. The GRUBB Co, Linda McClain 339-0400

**6645 HEATHER RIDGE WY.**, First Open! Sunfilled 2bd/1ba contemp. **\$319,000** Tahoe in Montclair! Updtd kit/ba. Pacific Union, Donna DeBardi 339-6460

**5091 DUBLIN AVE.**, Montclair. 2+bd/2+ba. New Listing! Level yd. **\$319,000** Hwdw floors. FDR. Garage. LaSalle Properties, Kate Casten 339-8900

**5716 MERRIWOOD DR.**, New Listing! Cozy 3+bd/1.5ba cabin in **\$299,000** Montclair. Filtered bay vws. Lg lot. Coldwell Banker, Lynne Bantle 339-1174

**6933 SARONI DR.**, Montclair. New Listing! 3bd/2ba w/family room. **\$299,000** Hardwood floors. 6,000sq ft lot. Montclair Better Homes 339-8400

**1776 PLEASANT VALLEY AVE.**, N Piedmont ave. Charming 3bdrm w/ **\$299,000** FDR, frpl, lg EIK. Rich woods & blt-ins. GRUBB Co, Annetun Tunney 339-0400

**1155 MOUNTAIN BL.**, Montclair. Split level w/2 bdrms. **\$294,000** Level-in 2-car garage. Decks. Patio. GRUBB Co, Judy Rankankan 339-0400

**2531 10TH AVE.**, Gorgeous 5bd/2ba Edwardian. Hwdws, 2 frpls, darkrm, **\$280,000** 12' covered ceilings. On national historic register. Prudential CA, Susan 834-2010

**3007 WISCONSIN ST.**, Charming 3/1+ Tudor. Hwdws. Rumpus room. **\$279,000** Garden. Bay View. The GRUBB Co, Michelle Winchester 339-0400

**721 MCKINLEY AVE.**, Charming 3bdrm Craftsman on wonderful street. **\$275,000** FDR, spacious LR. Hwdws. Secluded garden. GRUBB Co, Ed Kuo 339-0400

**3370 BRUNELL DR.**, Montclair. Well maintained updtd 2/2 w/den or **\$269,000** 3rd bd. Private yd. Filtered bay views. Pacific Union, Chuck Corwin 339-6460

**337 49TH ST.**, Temescal. New Listing! Upgraded 1907 3bd/1ba cottage. **\$259,000** Enchanting garden. Lg EIK. Walk Ridge BART. Pacific Union, Ann Nichols 339-6460

**811 59TH STREET**, Near Berkeley. 3bd/2ba remodeled Craftsman. **\$239,500** 2000+ sq. ft. LaSalle Properties, Ken Ferrell 339-8900 1:30-4:30

**914 WARFIELD**, Grand Lake fixer opportunity. 3 bdrms, formal dining. **\$235,000** Level rear yard. "AS IS" Edward Bell Realty 339-9398

**280 CALDECOTT LN #118** 2bd/2ba. New Listing! Delightful spacious **\$225,000** condo. Recorded info: 1-800-416-2989, JD1050. Pacific Union, Rich Gould 339-6460

**4022 RUSTING AVE.**, Move right in! Bright cozy 2+bd. Rumpus rm. **\$224,500** Garage w/interior access. Lg yd. Workshop. Coldwell Banker, Vicky Faulk 339-1174

**4900 MANILA AVE.**, Temescal. 2bd/1ba. New Listing! Small sweet **\$209,000** starter w/ lg kitchen. Lovely side yd. Bsmt rm. Pacific Union, Joan Hause 339-6460

**3598 LINCOLN AVE.**, 2bd/1ba front "move-in" home w/rear "as is" **\$185,000** cottage. Zoned multi-family. Prudential CA, Jim Forquer 339-9290

**260 CALDECOTT LN #207**, Parkwoods condo. Like a model! 1/1 w/ **\$175,000** custom paint. Ceiling fan. Prudential CA, Uli Lirosi 273-9444 SATURDAY 2-4

**3250 DELAWARE ST.**, 2bd/1ba cute starter home above 580 near **\$165,000** 35th Ave. Homes-Link, Frank 748-5300 2-4

**70 YOSEMITE**, N Piedmont Ave. 2bd/1ba w/fireplace. Garage pkg. **\$156,000** Balcony. New paint & carpet. Wells & Bennett, Chris Christensen 531-7000

**ALBANY OPEN SUNDAY 2-4**

**1161 SANTA FE**, Just listed! Spacious 2+2 w/fflx floor plan. Updtd **\$285,000** kitchen. Yard. Walk Gilman/Solano shops. Thornwall Prop., Kathryn 848-1950 X230

**920 KEY ROUTE**, 2bdrm MacGregor. Walk to Solano shops and **\$239,000** restaurants. Coldwell Banker, Holly Rose 486-1495

**951 MADISON**, Sweet 2bd/1ba bungalow. New kitchen/ba. French **\$199,000** drs. Front deck. Lovely backyard w/storage. Great condition! Berkeley Hills Realty, Tracy Sichterman 524-9888 X27

**BERKELEY OPEN SUNDAY**

**1095 AMITO**, (at Alvarado) Claremont Hills. 4bd including aupair, **\$629,000** 3ba, family rm, loft office. Templeton Co, Bebe McRae 652-2133 X145 2-5

**8 MOSSWOOD RD.**, (X St. Panoramia) Reduced! 4+bd/2.5ba w/fab **\$540,000** views! Great spaces. Lg yd. Walk to UC. Red Oak RE 527-3387 X109 2-4

**2528 PIEDMONT AVE.**, Just listed! Turn-of-century shingle. 4/2.5 w/ **\$469,000** huge LR, family rm, attic, yd. Walk to campus & Elwood amenities. Templeton Company, Gini Erck 652-2133 X133 2-4:30

**438 SPRUCE**, Fab new listing w/3-bridge view! Flex floorplan. Spacious **\$449,000** LR w/vaulted ceiling. Sep dining area. Updtd kit. 3bd/3ba. Aupair w/separate

Marvin Gardens Real Estate 527-9111; Mary Gray 559-2939 2-4

**1585 CAMPUS DR.**, North Berkeley. 3/3 stylish Japanese style **\$430,000** contemp w/blg frpl. Waterfall. Montclair Better Homes 339-4000 2-4:30

**515 GRIZZLY PEAK**, Reduced! 3+bd/2.5ba. Cosmetic fixer w/ **\$430,000** great potential! Must see. Red Oak Realty 527-3387 X118 2-4

**7140 BUCKINGHAM**, Hiller. 4bd/2.5ba. Vaulted ceilings. Canyon **\$430,000** vistas. 2nd kit. Ideal in-law unit. Prudential CA, Darin Tinsley 653-5586 2-4

**1175 KEITH**, 2bd/1ba. Magical redwood retreat in the hills. **\$430,000** Coldwell Banker, Lydia Melisen 486-1495 2-4

**1757 MARIN AVE.**, North Berkeley. New Listing! 2bd/2ba Craftsman **\$430,000** beauty! Prudential CA Realty, John Nielsen 339-9290 2-4:30

**1093 EUCLID**, 2/2 architect designed Berkeley Hills home. Lower level **\$430,000** in-law or office. Skylites, deck, yd. Marvin Gardens 527-9111, Melissa 559-2939

**1725 CARLETON**, Gorgeous 3+1/2 So.Berk turn-of-century craftsman **\$430,000** plus artist's cottage! Garden. Thornwall Prop., Colleen Larkin 848-1950 X230

**949 TULARE**, Cheerful 2+bd Craftsman. Hwdw floors, built-ins. **\$430,000** Patio. Nr shopping. Berkeley Hills RE, Terese Ashman 524-9888 X11 2-4:30

**1807 CHESTNUT**, Charming 2bd/2ba! 2 story. Porch swing. French **\$430,000** doors to garden. Berkeley Hills Realty, Joan Brunswick 524-9888 X12 2-4

**1555 OREGON ST.**, 3bd/2ba. Like New! Remodeled. Hwdw floors. **\$430,000** Nr Ashby BART. Re/Max East Bay, Ignacio Morales 261-2272 2-4

**1308 66TH ST.**, Just listed! Charming, sunny, & big! 3bd/1ba renovated **\$430,000** w/orig architectural detail! Grt yard. Must see! Red Oak 527-3387 X109 2-4

**CASTRO VALLEY OPEN SUNDAY 2-4**

**19219 VAUGHN AVE.**, Single level ranch w/2bd/1ba. New roof. Lg **\$430,000** private rear yd. Harbor Bay, Bev & George Williams 522-7173

**EL CERRITO OPEN SUNDAY 2-4**

**6925 FAIRVIEW DR.**, 3/2 1/2. Expansive Bay View! Remod kit and **\$430,000** baths. Hwdw floors, family rm, bonus rm. Quality throughout! 528-0789

**2520 NADON AVE.**, Privacy/bay view/charm & more! 3bd/2ba. 2-car **\$430,000** att'd gr w/interior access. Front deck. Terraced backyard. Bonus rm. Pest

Security Pacific R.E., Geri and Carla 234-7808

**220 CARMEL**, 2bd/1ba. Sunny delight! Remod kitchen, French drs, **\$430,000** deck, large yd. Berkeley Hills Realty, Gay Austin 524-9888 X21

**KENSINGTON OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30**

**206 AMHERST AVE.**, 3bd/2ba w/view & deck. All on 1 level! "As Is" **\$430,000** Pest clear. Offers Tuesday. Templeton Co, Paul Templeton 652-2133 X118

**PIEDMONT OPEN SUNDAY 2-4:30**

**201 CROCKER AVE.**, Stunning 4+bd/3+ba. New Listing! Kit/family **\$430,000** rm combo. Library. 1/3 acre. Pacific Union, Georgia Cornell 339-6460

**15 LITTLEWOOD DR.**, 4bd/2.5ba custom built around swimming pool. **\$430,000** Few steps up to front door-then 1 level. Homes-Link, James 748-5300

**1208 OAKLAND AVE.**, Stately 3+bd/1+ba. FDR, brkfst rm, den, **\$430,000** sunroom. Huge level yard. Pacific Union, Debi Fitzgerald 33



The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 25, 1999.

Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 25, 1999.

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# LEGALS

The Public's Right to Know  
339-8777

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-3  
The Name of the Business:  
Jeanne B. 1467 Camino Peral, Moraga, CA 94556  
Is registered by the following owner:  
Jeanne Boter & Associates, Inc., a California Corporation  
This business is conducted by a corporation:  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on September 1, 1998  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 4, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**Notice of Trustee's Sale.** Trustee Sale Number: 34473-F  
You are in default under a deed of trust dated 08/09/94. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceedings against you, you should contact a lawyer. On 02/24/99 at 9:45 AM, Attorneys Equity National Corporation (Trustee) 23721 Bitcher Drive, Lake Forest, CA 92530 (949)707-5540 as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust recorded 08/19/94 as Document 94 209452 of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Contra Costa County, California, Executed by Steven C. Hohn, an unmarried man, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashiers check made payable to Attorneys Equity National Corporation, (payable at the time of sale and in accordance with Section 2924(h) of the California Civil Code, and acceptable to the Trustee) at the North side of the City Hall 1666 North Main Street Walnut Creek, California all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in and in accordance with said County, California. The street address or other common designation, if any, of the real property described herein is purported to be 676 39th Street, Richmond, CA 94805, County Assessor's Parcel Number: 518-080-021-0. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the unpaid balance of the obligation, including interest, advances, and all other charges secured by said property. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by said property and reasonably estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice is \$137,272.99. Date: 01/22/99 Attorneys Equity National Corporation Natalie La Rosa Foreclosure Department C291257 2/4, 2/11, 2/18 1999

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-3183  
The Name of the Business:  
Moonodogles, 2432 San Pablo Ave, Pinole, CA 94664  
Is registered by the following owners:  
Susan L. Rogers, Gary A. Rogers Sr., 749 3rd Ave, Pinole, CA 94664  
This business is conducted by a husband and wife  
The registrants have not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 11, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE** Trustee Sale No. 980201-BL  
Blumen No. 929290 The Order No. 9209-6 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02/26/1998. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the real property known as 555 8th Street, Richmond, CA 94801 Assessor's Parcel Number: 534-000-038, will be sold at public auction at the Court Street entrance to the County Courthouse, 725 Court Street, corner of Main and Court Street, Martinez, CA on 02/25/1999, at 11:00am to the highest bidder at the same of sale, for cash, a cashier's check, drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Financial Code section 5102 and authorized to do business in California. The property hereafter is being sold "as is". The sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust executed by Bertha Eames, a married woman as her sole and separate property, as Trustee Recorded on 04/07/1998 Instrument 98-073521-00. Book - Page -, of the Official Records of Contra Costa County, California. The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of the initial publication of the notice is \$63,262.74 (Estimated), which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonably estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of the notice. The undersigned trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust herefrom executed and delivered to the undersigned in written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recording. Date: 1/25/99 Windsor Management Company, 330 South Grand Avenue, 47th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90071, as Trustee, For Sales Information Call (818) 367-7726. Eileen Gosses, Trustee Sale Officer ASAP-947002 2/4, 2/11, 2/18

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-309  
The Name of the Business:  
Homeward Bound, 312 Troy Court, El Sobrante, CA 94803  
Is registered by the following corporation:  
Homeward Bound Inc., California  
This business is conducted by a corporation:  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 15, 1999  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 15, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-84  
The Name of the Business:  
Acme Healing, 274 Phassant Circle, Pittsburg, CA 94565  
Is registered by the following owner:  
Roger Walther, 274 Phassant Circle, Pittsburg, CA 94565  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 6, 1999  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 6, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 99-583  
The Name of the Business:  
Two Amigos Landscape, 530 37th Ave, Richmond, CA 94805  
Is registered by the following owners:  
Enrique A. Hernandez, 530 37th Ave, Richmond, CA 94805  
Miryam Hernandez, 530 37th Street, Richmond, CA 94805  
This business is conducted by a husband and wife  
The registrants commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein on January 28, 1999  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 28, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
File No. 97-2403  
The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name Sales Hot Dog Station, 1520 Fitzgerald Drive, Pinole, CA 94664. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County of Contra Costa, on April 16, 1997.

Susan Rogers, Gary Rogers Sr., 749 3rd Ave, Pinole, CA 94664  
Is registered by the following owner:  
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The El Cerrito Journal February 4, 11, 18, 1999

**Notice of Trustee's Sale:** FCL No. 10116 On Thursday, February 25, 1999 at 10:00 AM of said day outside the Main Entrance to the public library located at 82 Twin Way, in the City of Orinda, in the County of Contra Costa State of California, California-Trust Deeds, Inc., as duly appointed trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the City of Richmond, County of Contra Costa, State of California and described as follows: Common Address: 259 S 22nd St., Richmond, CA A.P.N. 544-011417 Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the Power of Sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by Bobbie Toyner, an unmarried woman as trustors, dated Jan. 12, 1998 and recorded Jan. 29, 1998 as Document No. 99-0017091-00 in the office of the Contra Costa County Recorder. The amount owing on the subject obligation is: Principal \$19,800.00 Interest \$542.84; Late Charges \$30.00; Advances \$-; Attorney's Fees \$-; Costs \$1,078.00 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated January 12, 1998. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. Dated: January 27, 1999 California Trust Deeds, Inc. 436 - 14th St., #520, Oakland, CA 94612 (510)444-3200 Herb Labowitz, Vice President C291428 2/4, 2/11, 2/18 1999

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-337  
The Name of the Business:  
Mobile Concrete Service Company, 308 Via Peraltas, Pacheco, CA 94553  
Is registered by the following owners:  
Garold J. Dole, 308 Via Peraltas, Pacheco, CA 94553  
Richard F. Dole, 221 Greenwich Street, San Francisco, CA 94133  
This business is conducted by a general partnership  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 19, 1999  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 19, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-436  
The Name of the Business:  
Tour O'Keeffe Country, 2616 Sonoma Street, El Cerrito, CA 94530  
Is registered by the following owner:  
Sylvia Falcon, 2616 Sonoma Street, El Cerrito, CA 94530  
This business is conducted by a individual  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on January 22, 1999  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on January 22, 1999  
The Journal February 4, 11, 18, 25, 1999

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 99-8010  
The Name of the Business:  
(1) Sky Ranch Productions/Records, (2) La Riva's Song, 1563 Solano Ave, Suite 302, Berkeley, CA 94707  
Is registered by the following owner:  
La Riva Myles, Sky Ranch Productions, 1563 Solano Ave, Berkeley, CA 94707  
This business is conducted by an individual  
The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name listed herein  
Statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on December 23, 1998  
The Journal January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 1999

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**Small Mind, Short Items:**  
Hands-down the best line in recent weeks about the GOP's D.C. Impeachment Follies is from an Aussie journalist, quoted on CNBC's "Hardball." The Sydney columnist wrote, "Thank God we got the convicts and they got the Puritans."  
...Another good line, from conservative humorist P.J. O'Rourke: "The '60s are the only decade that's lasted 30 years." Which brings up NBC's big four-hour miniseries, "The '60s," which starts Sunday night on KRON, concluding, like, Monday. The four-hour series wasn't as terrible as I thought it might be (darn!), but at times it was unintentionally funny. Wavy Gravy does a brief cameo, and NBC's recreation of The Summer of Love in the Haight looks like it was lifted from "Laugh-In." NBC's motto this month: "Don't trust anyone under 30!" Many of my fellow aging Boomers will be reminded, when they hear some of his old songs, what an impact the early Bob Dylan had on many of us. To youth, idealism is probably the most potent drug of all. Speaking of such substances, while there's plenty of dope smoked in the silly NBC series, there's nary a mention of acid, which is intellectually dishonest at the least. (Shave the whales!). And if you look quickly Sunday night, you'll get a glimpse of probably the most talented folk of all -- the late Phil Ochs. I ain't marching anymore, Phil. (But that's mostly because when you get old, your back goes out more than you do. Rim shot).  
Highly recommended: O'Rourke's tongue-in-cheek 1996 paperback, "The American Spectator's Enemies List." Very funny, and your name may be in it! Several Oakland and East Bay lefties are ... KPIX week-end anchor Barbara Rogers told me at Channel 5 the other day how happy she is to be reunited with former co-anchor Doug Murphy. "Doug and I work well together," says the capable newswoman, "and I wasn't happy when they split us up a couple of years ago." ...I was at KPIX to tape the late Sunday-night sports show and to dump on that day's Super Bowl excesses. "Gameday" is normally hosted by Alameda's capable Rick Quan, but new father Tom Sharp, hubbie of KTVU anchor Diane Dwyer, has been doing vacation fill-in. Tim says the anchorbaby is doing great...Did anyone else notice that Stevie Wonder came to the Super Bowl disguised as Barry White?...Speaking of Quans, another, KCBS Radio reporter Holly Quan - we're in a

Quandary - deserves praise for her fine work on a documentary about SF's biggest homeless shelter. She and award-winning colleague Mike Sugerman spent a night in the shelter to check out homeless activists' reports of staff brutality (which turned up nothing, of course). Not an easy assignment. Sugerman couldn't sleep because of all the coughing, and Quan found that the showers had no hot water. The classy all-news station gave up 10-minute blocks three times Monday to air it. And when's the last time you heard a long investigative report on radio? If you did, it was probably on KCBS...One KPIX newscast tells me anchor Dana King refuses to work with Channel 5 weatherman Roberta Gonzales. Hmm. Wonder why.  
Did you catch the debut of MTV's new show Monday night, "The Tom Green Show"? The irreverent young Canadian is also juvenile, goofy, audacious, and clever. He'll remind you of another Canadian comedy entry, The Kids in The Hall. Finally, here's something worth checking out on MTV, whose first two syllables usually say it all. Green's offbeat new show airs Monday nights at 10:30. There's a lot of comedy to be mined in filming polite, nonconfrontational Canadians in unusual and uncomfortable situations. And the goofy Green has tapped into the mother lode, eh? The funniest segment in the premiere came when Green spray-painted his straight-arrow parents' car with a scene of two women making love and also painted on "The Slutmobile!" Green's embarrassed Dad chose to walk to work instead...I saw former Alex Bennett sidekick/newsmen Joe Regelski up in Fort Bragg the other day. Regelski now does news at KOZT-FM. "Best decision I ever made, coming up here," says the long-time Marin resident. The hard-working newsmen actually seems to enjoy going to planning commission meetings...Speaking of that old logging outpost, ever wonder why Fort Bragg's name and Channel 8 is also listed on Concord-based Channel 42's ID's? The odd coupling is because the owner of the former all-bible-poundin' East Bay station recently got the license (at fire-sale prices) for Fort Bragg's only TV station, Channel 8, formerly an ABC affiliate. To keep the FCC happy, a 10-minute news cut-in runs on Channel 8 up there each weeknight featuring Fort Bragg news. The rest of the time, the two stations simulcast old westerns and paid religion out



of Concord...While we're in the North Coast, you may know Dr. Dean Edell up there any weekend. He owns a just north of Fort Bragg. He's been going up there since the '60s, says the iconoclast nationally syndicated radio doc...Only one more Fort Bragg item, I promise: The weather paper there has just fallen on the monetary forces of the Empire -- ANG owner Dr. Singleton - and so have the dailies in Eureka and Ukiah. "We've already been warned that the dark forces will upon us," said one staffer, "we're looking for other jobs. Singleton, to employ Dr. Parker's wonderful phrase, throws nickels around like manhole covers...Netting Serfs: I picked up this \$50 in a recent article in Fort Bragg about e-commerce: "Disintermediation." A mouthful. It means eliminating the middleman, which is Amazon.com, eBay, etc., etc. possibly do...  
More newspaper/online: If you've been to the Chronicle website, you may have been startled, as I was, to learn print droneologist Adair is referred to as "a Chrono treasure." Then again, this the same place where Scott Ostler was moved from and immediately contracted a virulent case of humorism. Ostler on recent grad of fault lines painted on maps: "Probably the worst neighborhood gang of seismologists." Stop it, Scott, you're killing us here...Comic W. Durst: "The Chronicle's is 'No news is good news.' Durst again: 'Their other is: 'If you don't already know why the hell should WE tell YOU?' Next week: The slating humor of Art Hopp. Leah Garchik...  
NPR's "Car Talk" guys, actually ARE funny, offer Y2K metaphor: "Remember objects on your calendar much closer than they app

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## REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES



by Connie Keane

Volkswagen executives say the new Jetta is 'the all-new Beetle company.' The all-new Jetta rounds out a brand new line of Volkswagens. The popular Jetta is set to redefine the compact segment with its new qualities drivers want in a mid-class European sedan. Its aggressive styling, to its high-grade materials and powerful engine, the 1999 Jetta is making its presence on the road. Volkswagen engineers offer the all-new Jetta as a powerful statement of perfection. They don't stop on conveying its compact nature. It's something dramatic. The expressive features are as bold as the name. As one Volkswagen executive told me, "The headlight is the eyes to the soul of the car."

See JETTA on page D2



**THE EYES** have it: More than the instrument panel makes the Jetta GLS an exciting ride.

## By Arnold Wechter

ve often been critical of  
of the claims made by  
amer Reports — but they've  
right with their article shod-  
to parts, which appears in  
January issue

you've been in a wreck your insurance company may have told you to buy imitation body parts that they claim are supposed to be as good as the ones that came with your car. But the magazine found bumpers that shat-

tered and fenders that rush and don't fit.

It tells of accidents caused by what collision repairers disparagingly call offshore "tin"—a cheap imitation made by an overseas manufacturer.

The magazine reports that if your car was ever in an accident, the repair shop may have installed cheap imitation parts, perhaps without you even know-

"Crash parts are a big business," the magazine reports.

"Each year, U.S. drivers have an estimated 35 million automobile accidents costing some \$9 billion in crash parts. The most frequently replaced parts are bumpers and fenders.

"Not all imitation parts are bad. Various brand-name replacement batteries, filters, spark plugs, and shock absorbers can provide quality along with competitive pricing. Some body-part copies are OK, too, but others are junk."

Consumer Reports says several consumers groups have support-

ed imitation crash parts, and for good reason: these parts provide competition, forcing automakers to reduce prices. That's good for consumers-but only if quality doesn't suffer.

Unfortunately, the magazine reports, the quality of imitation crash parts can vary widely. In an effort to assure the quality of imitation body parts, the insurance industry established the nonprofit Certified Automotive Parts

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**TECHNOLOGY** perfected in the Gulf War now is mounted behind the grille of the 2000 Cadillac Deville.

## DOWN THE ROAD

By Herb Shuldiner

I drove the winding roads adjacent to a Rockefeller estate in Tarrytown, N.Y., one recent dark night, keeping one eye on the road and the other on a Heads-Up Display projected on the windshield. HUD displays virtual images from an infrared camera using the same technology that the allied forces employed during the Gulf War in picking out targets at night.

Seconds before I could see people crossing the dark streets through the windshield, I could see their images in the HUD.

The HUD images look like black and white negatives, rendered by a camera that "sees" objects by the amount of heat they radiate. Hotter looks whiter.

Cadillac calls this technology "Night Vision."

The infrared camera is mounted behind the grille of a heavily disguised 2000 Cadillac DeVille.

At first, I found it difficult to split my vision between the HUD, and looking at the road in the conventional manner. But it gets easier with practice. It helps to turn down the intensity of the HUD, and images you need to see really pop out.

I was astonished at how far down the road I could see pedestrians — more than 1,000 feet in front of the car. What's more, I could see persons in the road even when the headlights of an oncoming car completely obliterated them from view in the conventional manner. The IR camera is focused at infinity and starts to go out of focus when images are as

See **VISION** on page D2

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# Inventor makes most of split second

DRIVE, SHE SAID  
By Denise McLuggage

"A nanosecond is to a second what a second is to 30 years."

Dr. Chris Jacobs is a rarity among those with a string of degrees after his name.

He can explain something complicated in simple sentences that switch on little light bulbs over his listeners' heads, which is appropriate since his primary field is electrical engineering.

He is explaining to me in his Midland, Texas, office why my car starts easier, runs smoother and gets better gas mileage since I installed one of his company's little black boxes, known as an Energy Pak.

It's with the Energy Pak (a computer ignition system) that the nanoseconds come in. The Energy Pak has to do, most basically, with the "blue spark" that ignites the fuel in the combustion chambers.

In his exhaustive study of the spark and exactly how it goes about igniting fuel mixture, Dr. Jacobs has narrowed his focus to what he believes to be the crux of the matter.

It's the change in resistance met by the spark as it traverses the distance across the spark plug gap — not the resistance itself, but the rate of change.

What Jacobs has done is devise a way to measure those changes, interpret their significance, and alter the spark delivered to the cylinder. That's each spark to each cylinder, adjusted to suit the changing moment. In effect, each spark plug is an in-cylinder sensor and alterations are instantaneous.

What looks to my eye like a very fast spark flashing rapidly across a little gap, is "an eon in electronics."

That's where Jacobs defines the nanosecond and my mind reels. "Our circuitry makes decisions in nanoseconds," he explains.

Jacobs's black boxes take 33 readings in 1 1/2 degrees of engine rotation. (For reference, a millisecond is six degrees of rotation at 1000 rpm.)

And in the same instant, the box tailors the spark to meet the particular needs of that cylinder at that sliced moment, given all the variables of the engine environment such as the condition of the plug, the temperature, the changes in the fuel mixture, etc.

That process is patented. "(Other ignition systems) just throw the energy out and close their eyes. Isort of steer it," Jacobs says.

The Energy Pak has the distinction of both improving performance and gas mileage — usually attributes that are at war with each other.

And another benefit: Jacobs's black boxes reduce emissions. Most air-polluting emissions are pumped into the atmosphere as the engine is being started, particularly when it is cold.

The Energy Pak has a special way of dealing with that.

To understand how it works, it helps to know something about the spark. The spark has three traits: intensity, duration and something called "phase angle" (that's sort of its profile as it is delivered). It may, for instance, start slow and build, or deliver a big socko wallop all at once.

When the engine is cold, picture the gasoline mixture entering the combustion chamber sort of clumped together.

If a spark hits these droplets, it tends to push them out of the way rather than igniting them.

For starting, the Energy Pak delivers a slow, heating-up kind of spark that in a handful of those minutely-sliced seconds warms the mixture to an optimum 70 degrees, more fully vaporizing the fuel. Then the I-mean-business part of the spark hits and fires it up. (Keep thinking nanoseconds.)

You would be on the right track if you are also thinking that the

# VISION: The heat bodies radiate shows on driver display

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near to the sensor as 25 feet. There is no way to overdrive the thermal image the way you can your bright headlights. Under varying conditions, you can see pedestrians three to five times sooner with Night Vision than with low-beam headlights.

The infrared imaging system offers additional security when parking the car at home or in a dark garage. Night Vision enables you to see potential attackers hiding in dark corners.

The 2000 DeVille that goes on sale this fall will offer the unique Night Vision as an option. The technology was in development for more than 14 years. During

that time, Night Vision, or thermal imaging, was transformed from one of the military's most secret technologies into a consumer system that has the potential to save many lives during night driving.

Only a quarter of driving is at night, but half of all traffic fatalities occur then, according to the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration.

Night Vision may also help decrease collisions with deer and other animals. In 1997, the state of Michigan alone reported 68,233 car crashes involving deer.

In 1975, thermal imaging was first developed in the lab, which the military considered so unique that it was highly classified for

the next decade. Infrared imaging was declassified in the mid-1980s, and that's when General Motors became interested.

The giant automaker asked its Hughes affiliate to develop an infrared imaging system for possible use in cars about 14 years ago.

Raytheon Systems Co. purchased the part of Hughes that owned infrared imaging and HUD technology in July 1997, and took over development of Night Vision for GM.

The goals were to cut the size and cost of the system so that it could be included in a car. The main things that made Night Vision viable were cutting the cost

of chips and lenses.

In addition, Raytheon was able to drastically reduce the size of the camera from around the size of a bowling ball to about the size of a soda can. Stuart H. Klapper, a Raytheon engineer, says that when infrared cameras were big, they cost about \$25,000. He says the cost is now that of a high-end car stereo system — about \$1,500.

This really got Cadillac revved up to design the Night Vision system for production cars. "Night Vision will bring Desert Storm technology into the family garage," says John F. Smith, Cadillac's general manager.

The first car buyers to have it will be owners of the 2000 DeVille.

Smith is convinced that edge technology such as thermal imaging is highly sought after by purchasers of luxury cars.

Cadillac has seen longstanding leadership in the luxury category eroded point where it just edged out a rival by a few hundred cars in 1998.

Mercedes was close behind many analysts forecast that Cadillac will lose its number one ranking this year.

Smith says Cadillac can maintain its lead with the help of technology such as Night Vision, OnStar, a satellite communications-linked system and its star powertrain system.

# JETTA: Headlights lead the way in VW design innovation

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the Jetta.

The special characteristics of the headlights contribute to active safety. The rectangular clear lens houses all the lighting elements: halogen headlamps, turn signals, side lights, and fog lights.

The headlight brilliance is a distinct design element of the all-new Jetta. They are technically advanced to maximize light output and cast a precise beam of forward night visibility.

I thought the most eye-catching

feature on the Jetta was the cool midnight blue lighting on black background in the instrument panel. It made night driving exciting.

With a starting price of \$16,700, the Jetta lineup has three distinct trims: GL, GLS, and GLX. My GLS model had a 2-liter, four-cylinder engine with a base price of \$17,650. It was equipped with the \$1,000 optional Luxury Package that included a power sunroof and 15-inch alloy wheels.

My GLS also had the \$850

Partial Leather Package. This feature included leather seating surfaces, leather steering wheel, shift knob and hand brake, heated seats and heated washer nozzles.

Volkswagen defies the compact class by putting high-end features in the Jetta as standard equipment.

All Jetta models come with front side airbags. These airbags are not mounted into the door, but into the side of the seat. The safety designers said this side seat airbag assures a protective relationship to the passenger and

driver, no matter where they adjust their seats. Volkswagen claims this cannot be assured if the side airbag is installed in the door or the roof pillar.

The 1999 Jetta GL, GLS and GLX come with anti-lock brakes, a height adjustable and telescoping steering wheel, heated remote mirrors, central remote locking, a center-cut folding key, two power outlets, and a premium eight-speaker cassette stereo.

The GLS has standard power windows and mirrors, cruise control and center armrest. The top-

of-the-line Jetta GLX has a 172-horsepower six-cylinder engine, with automatic climate control, wood decor, leather upholstery and rain sensor wipers.

The GLX is priced at \$23,500. The Jetta displays a sporty, spirited road behavior. It has a whole new structural rigidity, its body for crisp handling and control. This rigidity also reduces the level of squeaks, noise and vibration that come through the driver.

See JETTA on page 3

# Learn how to handle that SUV on snow, ice

GET OFF THE ROAD

By Christopher Keane

You're in a 5,000-pound sport utility vehicle with automatic 4WD, driving through a snowy curve, and it starts sliding across the road. What do you do?

The maddening answer is: you should have known what to do before you got to the curve.

Learn how your vehicle responds before you drive in extreme conditions. And it doesn't matter if you are one of the 95-percent of SUV owners who never go off-road exploring. Off-road conditions find you anyway. It's

simply called winter.

Even a city commute becomes a tough 4x4 track during the cold months: snow, ice, freezing rain and glassy roads, skids, slips, slides and fishtails. Perfect reasons to use that fancy four-wheel drive system and engage some added traction.

However, four-wheel drive can't do it all. 4WD keeps the tires rolling better than 2WD, but a well-maintained vehicle and a good driver keep the driving safe.

What makes a good driver? "The average driver reacts to crises, usually with panic," says Mark Cox, director of the

Bridgestone Winter Driving School. "A great driver anticipates problems early and directs the vehicle appropriately."

In short: "Practice, practice, practice." I found the safest way to practice is through a qualified driving course. While testing the new GMC Yukon Denali last year, I was introduced to the Bridgestone school. With some classroom instruction and a lot of track time, it was a great way to learn how a new vehicle responded. That's especially important with a full-size sport utility vehicle.

Although an SUV feels all-powerful, the extra weight and high

center of gravity require added diligence when braking and cornering — especially on slippery roads. The Bridgestone Winter Driving School uses a one-mile eight-turn ice track. Drivers get hands-on practice and personal instruction through hills, banked turns, and off-cambered turns. Snow banks "pardon" any driver errors.

Half-day and one-day courses are offered, as well as a two-day high performance course. Teaching includes techniques to improve cornering, braking with and without ABS, accident avoidance, use of weight balance to control the vehicle, and skid control.

Located at the base of the area in Steamboat Springs, the school operates seven days a week from early December through early March. Special driver training, corporate, and team-building programs and special events are also available nationwide.

For more information call 1-800-WHY-SKID, or check out the website at [www.winterdriving.com](http://www.winterdriving.com).

Here's a few of Mark's winter driving tips:

Maintain the tires

For good traction, every

See SUV on page 3

# PARTS: Not all equal

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Association in 1987.

To date, the certification program covers a small percentage of imitation body parts.

Why do auto insurers endorse imitation parts? The answer is because they can be 20 to 65 percent less expensive than original equipment. Consumer Reports says the companies it surveyed provided evidence that those savings are being passed on to policyholders.

Moreover, Consumer Reports says the imitation bumpers and fenders it tested were inferior to original equipment parts.

"The bumpers fit badly and gave poor low-speed crash protection. Most of the fenders also fit worse than OEM fenders, and they rusted more quickly when scratched to bare metal," the magazine notes.

It also reported that its tests of CAPA parts is no guarantee of quality comparable with that of an OEM part.

CAPA parts claim to be "like kind and quality" to OEM parts. But CAPA's quality-standards manual requires only "functionally equivalent" parts. Such a careful choice of words is significant, says the magazine.

We hope you never have an accident, but if you do make sure your insurer demands original equipment replacement parts and the repair shop follows through.

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# JETTA: Diesel engine available

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The Jetta's refined 2-liter, four-cylinder engine is a better torque performer and has a better torque curve. It delivers 122 ft.-lbs. of torque at the low end, and 150 ft.-lbs. at the high end. This gives the latest Jetta a torque level of 2,600. This gives the latest Jetta

a wide rpm band for excellent engine performance in the mid- and high-end range.

A diesel engine is also available on the Jetta, which delivers highway fuel economy of 49 mpg.

The Jetta is not a status car, but an inconspicuous beginning to a new era for Volkswagen.

## SPECIFICATIONS

1999 Volkswagen Jetta GLS

VEHICLE TYPE	5-passenger compact sedan
BASE PRICE	\$17,650 (as tested: \$20,025)
ENGINE TYPE	SOHC 4-cylinder w/SPFI
DISPLACEMENT	2 liter
HORSEPOWER (net)	115 at 5200 rpm
TORQUE (lb-ft)	122 at 2600 rpm
TRANSMISSION	5-speed manual
WHEELBASE	99 in. 2513 mm
HEAD (front/rear)	60/59 in. 1513/1494 mm
TURNING CIRCLE	36 ft. 11 m
FUEL CAPACITY	14 gals. 55 L
FUEL MILEAGE RATING	24 city, 31 highway
ASSEMBLY PLANT	Puebla, Mexico
STRONG FEATURE	High content
WEAK FEATURE	Nothing

# SUV: Tires make all the difference

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hicle depends on four small contact patches where the tires meet the pavement. At the very least, an SUV needs a good set of all-season radials. For snow conditions, a proper set of snow and ice tires maximizes control.

## Use grip effectively

When roads are slippery, use all the grip available for one thing at a time. Brake, accelerate or turn. Don't try everything at once. Brake only before a curve when the vehicle is traveling straight. Take your foot off the brake before you steer into a curve, so you use all the traction for steering. Don't accelerate until you begin to straighten the steering wheel when exiting a turn.

## Adjust speed to conditions

When driving in challenging conditions, slow down. The slipperier it gets, the longer the lag time before your vehicle responds. Decreasing your speed will allow more time to respond to a difficult situation.

## Use slower speed uphill

Gain speed and momentum on the flat before starting uphill. When the vehicle begins to slow part way up the hill, ease up on the accelerator and crest the hill slowly. Increasing acceleration can cause the wheels to spin and you will lose momentum.

## Maintain comfort

If the truck interior is too warm or too cold you won't be at your best. A constant flow of cool air will keep you more alert, but keep the interior warm enough so that you need not wear your bulky winter jacket.

## Anticipate danger

A good driver always anticipates problems. Harsh winter conditions come every year. Know how your vehicle and your driving will respond to them.

# SPARK: Timing critical

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Energy Pak is rather like a pacemaker for your car's engine. It just so happens that Jacobs holds patents for the invention of the variable pacemaker for hearts.

Before he refined the pacemaker, it delivered to a heart the same boom-boom-boom beat, whether the activity of the person was sleep or walking up a flight of stairs. Its invariable persistence was as Jacobs said, "limiting to a person's life."

Having noted that blood composition and its electrical properties change according to a person's activity, Jacobs devised a way to make instantaneous measurements and alter the strength of the beat delivered by the pacemaker.

"Before Jacobs refined the pacemaker, it delivered to a heart the same persistent boom-boom-boom beat..."

Thus Chris Jacobs is responsible for two types of on-board decision-makers dealing in nanoseconds, one in a person's chest, and another in his car. All for smoother running, better performance and efficiency.



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# Heading to the repair shop doesn't have to hurt

OWNERS  
AUTO KNOW  
By Don Chaikin

Face it, regardless of your vehicle's make, model, or vintage, and regardless of how well you maintain it, sooner or later, something is going to break.

And, in all likelihood, something's going to break that you can't fix yourself.

You're going to have to take the car or truck to a pro for repair. Even so, there are still several important things that you can — and should — do yourself first to ensure that the problem is repaired properly and relatively painlessly.

First, you should be able to accurately describe the symptoms to the mechanic to help him pinpoint the problem. While many of today's vehicles are equipped with sophisticated self-diagnosing computer systems, many older ones are not.

Further, many problems are mechanical and outside the purview of the computer's control, and therefore outside the sophisticated self-diagnosing capabilities. There are cases beyond the computer's scope that can cause a breakdown that the computer cannot spot.

In these instances, if the mechanic doesn't have the full history of the occurrence, he can easily be misled into only repairing the secondary problem, and you'll be back soon with the same trouble. Not all serious mechanical or electrical problems are immediately crippling.

Obviously, if your car or truck simply won't go, or worse, won't stop or steer, you know that it needs instant attention. However, other ailments can come on gradually, and it can be hundreds of miles and weeks of driving before it gets so bad that you're waiting for a tow truck.

It is critical that you, and others who operate the vehicle, note any changes in its performance

— be it a slight difference in the ride quality, handling, acceleration or braking. Any new noise should be noted.

Pay attention to what conditions seem to exacerbate the problem, or exactly under what conditions it happens at all. Does the car make a noise while accelerating, decelerating, or while cruising? Does the truck jiggle, rock, or clunk while making left turns going downhill? No piece of information about the condition is unimportant. Try to accurately describe the symptom.

Mechanics have their own jargon and their interpretation of a term or word may not be yours. For instance, the common pre-ignition or detonation problem is referred to as "ping." However, the noise that accompanies ping to most people doesn't sound like an erratic, high-pitched rattle.

Technicians will also refer to a hesitation accompanied by stuttering feeling in the drivetrain as a "chuggle," while you might have a totally different word to suggest this condition.

Once you've determined that there is a problem, you need to know where to get attention. If you've been getting your vehicles repaired satisfactorily by a repair shop or dealership, that's fine. Phone ahead, explain your problem and make an appointment for service.

However, if you do not have a repair facility, there are some effective guidelines to follow. First, ask your friends and neighbors who they take their cars to. Next, ask the counterperson at the local auto parts store who sells to the local repair professionals for a recommendation. Then look for certification.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) of Herndon, Va., is an independent testing and certification organization. It conducts skill and knowledge exams for mechanics in various disciplines, and certifies those mechanics who meet their standards.

# Servicemen crafted peppy King Midget

CLASSIC CLASSICS  
By Vern Parker

The King Midget is an either/or car. Either you love it, or you don't.

The King Midget sprang from the inventiveness of Dale Orcutt, of Columbia City, Ind., and Claude Dry, of Pryor, Okla. The two men met during military service in World War II, discovered their backgrounds were virtually identical, and decided, like many others back then, to manufacture a car of their own design after the war.

An estimated 5,000 Midgets were built between 1946 and 1970. At the beginning, manufacturers built a frame onto which the purchaser could affix his own homemade body and engine of choice. That offer quickly ended, and became a total car (either pre-assembled or in pieces).

There never was a King Midget dealer organization, with most sales being direct between buyer and factory. For years, the King Midget was advertised in the classified

ad section of Popular Mechanics and other such magazines. That's where Jon Dean first learned of the car, in a little one-column, one-inch-deep ad.

In 1966, Jon and his bride, Mardi, needed transportation and the little car intrigued him. As a student at Buena Vista College in Storm Lake, Iowa, money was in short supply, so he borrowed \$850 from his father and ordered a King Midget. Soon thereafter he received a telephone call informing him there was a wooden crate at the loading dock with his name on it.

Dean rushed down and, with crowbar in hand, tore open one end of the crate and rolled out a brand-new King Midget. "I gave it a splash of gas, connected the spark plug and drove it home," he recalls.

Later, with the help of a friend with a pickup truck, he returned for the crate. Covered by a tarpaulin, the crate served as a garage for the car.

The next year, Dean transferred to the University of Wisconsin-Stout at Menomonie. On moving day, Dean took the King

Midget back to the loading dock where he first got it.

Dean recalls that cream-colored King Midget had an optional heater. He says it was supposed to gather heat from the air-cooled engine and blow it through a funnel into the passenger compartment via an air duct under the driver's seat.

"Just the idea it was a heater," Dean says, is what kept you warm. After one Wisconsin winter, Dean traded his beloved King Midget in on a used Pontiac station wagon. Driving home in the Pontiac, Dean admits, "There was a loss in my heart."

Fast-forwarding a quarter-century, Dean began shopping for a used King Midget. He found one in Pennsylvania in 1993, a blue 1969 model, and hauled it back home on a flatbed truck. "I don't know why you want it," Dean's wife said of the chain-driven car, "but I'm glad it's not a Corvette."

Dean's latest King Midget is three inches short of 10 feet long and rides on a 76 1/2-inch wheelbase. The one-cylinder, 29-cubic-inch air-cooled engine generates 12 horsepower. A single-barrel

sidedraft carburetor feeds the engine from a 3 1/2-gallon tank behind the seat.

To the right of the two steering wheel is a button that operates the sole factory washer. Pushing the button sends a stream of water onto the inch-wide, 11-inch-high shield where a wiper clean windshield. A bracket under the left side of the windshield frame holds a clamp-on mirror.

Dean keeps a spare mirror in the storage space behind the seat that serves as a trunk — the case the first one falls off.

A rear deck with strengthening ribs and a large rear covers the engine, transmission and 12-volt battery. Most King Midgets rode on 5.70x8-inch tires, but Dean has extra-wide 8.50x8-inch tires and correspondingly rear fenders.

When you see a blue King Midget with aluminum bumpers chugging down the road, chances are good Dean is in the wheel. "Everybody needs a Dean says. "Grandkids love

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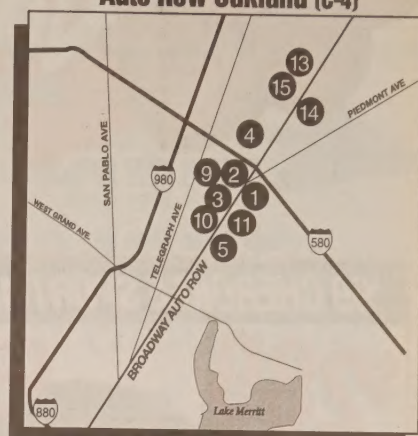
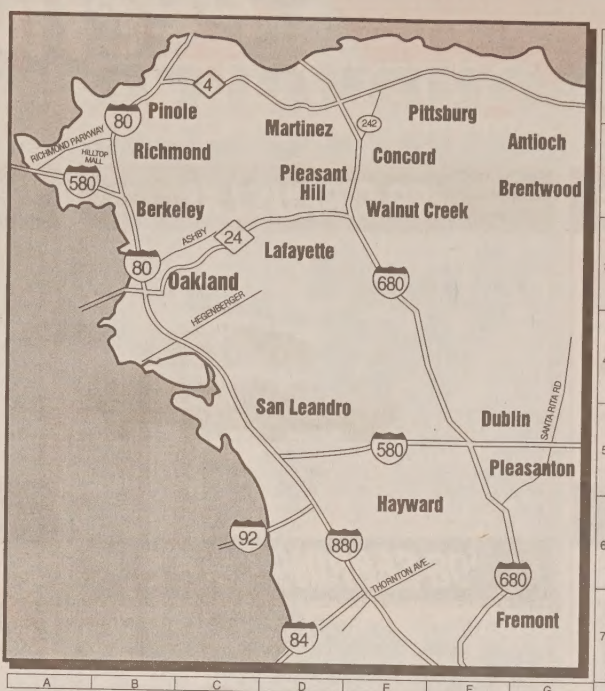
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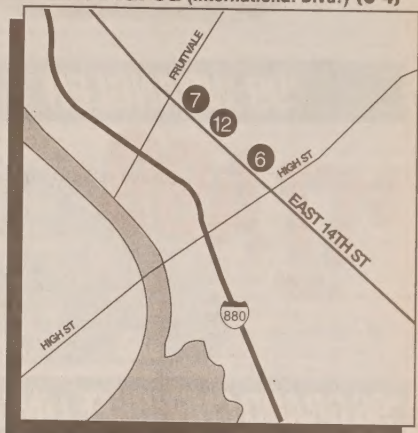
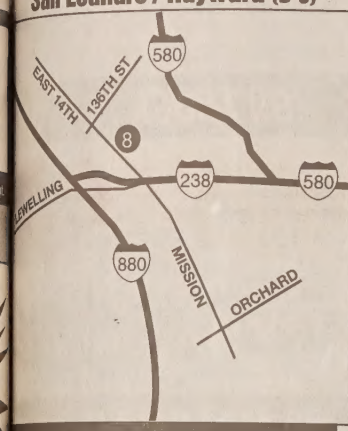


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


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



  
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